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THE WEATHER.
Washington, April 23.—Illinois—Fair, warmer Tuesday; Wednesday increasing cloudiness; brisk, possibly high winds becoming south.

ANOTHER SHAKE AT FRISCO AT 10:30 MONDAY NIGHT.

Metropolis of Western Coast Begins the Stupendous Tasn of Rebuilding--Major Tilden Shot Down While On Mission of Mercy.

Francisco, April 23—A sharp earthquake shock [illegible] here at 10:39 tonigh t. It lasted about three sec- [illegible] and was from east to w est. No damage was reported.

Francisco, April 23—There is a vast supply of [illegible] on hand for the people of San Francisco. Maj- [illegible] eral Krauthoff, chief depot commissary of the de- [illegible] of California stated today there were available [illegible] rations of supplies.

[illegible] erintendent Leach of the branch United States [illegible] said today operations could be resumed immediate- [illegible] ere is no lack of money at the mint and New York [illegible] ers upon that institution will be paid upon presen-

[illegible] most unfortunate happen- [illegible] ity has been under the [illegible] upervision of the govern- [illegible] pility and state militia, [illegible] today of Major H. C. [illegible] minent member of the citi- [illegible] committee and well- [illegible]

[illegible] was done by three mem- [illegible] self-constituted vigilance [illegible] who fired upon an automo- [illegible] Tilden, a friend and the [illegible] returning from Menlo park [illegible] had gone with his fam-

[illegible] men displaying no badge of [illegible] ordered the party in the [illegible] to halt, following the de- [illegible] almost immediately with a vol- [illegible] pistol shots. Tilden was shot [illegible] the back and instantly killed. the other occupants of the machine [illegible] ded.

Drops Militia.

[illegible] zens' general committee, of [illegible] mayor is presiding officer, [illegible] a resolution at its session to [illegible] the entire force of the state [illegible] this time on the city will [illegible] jointly by the municipal [illegible] federal troops.

[illegible] still scarce in some sec- [illegible] city but every effort is [illegible] to increase the supply. The [illegible] system shows that at [illegible] the pipes are badly twist- [illegible] from the effects of [illegible] these will have to be [illegible] ones.

Greeley Succeeds Funston.

[illegible] W. Greeley took com- [illegible] federal troops at this [illegible] General Funston who [illegible] his orders.

Resources Limited.

[illegible] a limit to the re- [illegible] finance committee whose [illegible] spend the millions being [illegible] the relief of the home- [illegible] There will be plenty [illegible] the problem now is [illegible] impartially for [illegible] those deserving.

[illegible] committee will no doubt [illegible] money and supplies, but [illegible] through the regular [illegible] looking to that end, a con- [illegible] held at Fort Mason to- [illegible] which the state will be rep- [illegible] Governor Pardee, the army [illegible] Funston and Greely, the [illegible] by James D. Phe- [illegible] Harris, Garret Mc- [illegible] M. H. DeYoung. At the [illegible] afternoon it was proposed [illegible] who had homes left [illegible] to pay for their pro- [illegible] that only actual sufferers [illegible] food. Regular soldiers [illegible] charge of the distribution

No Martial Law.

[illegible] is not under martial [illegible] not been from the be- [illegible] There has been a general [illegible] among the troops [illegible] The report that Mayor [illegible] the head of all those [illegible] streets and is merely [illegible] troops has been officially [illegible] officers of the army have [illegible] they are working subject [illegible] order from the [illegible] almost all stories of rash vio- [illegible] parts of the troops are [illegible] During last night's [illegible] troops admitted to [illegible] that they did not know [illegible] were or where they [illegible] It appeared all were [illegible] judgment. The state [illegible] they were under orders [illegible] militia commanders, but [illegible] they are working in pursuance [illegible] they failed to recog- [illegible] thereby causing much [illegible] inconvenience to those [illegible] engaged in the relief work. [illegible] troops are working in ac- [illegible] instructions from the [illegible] consequently they have [illegible] salvation of the patrol sys-

Sutton Wins.

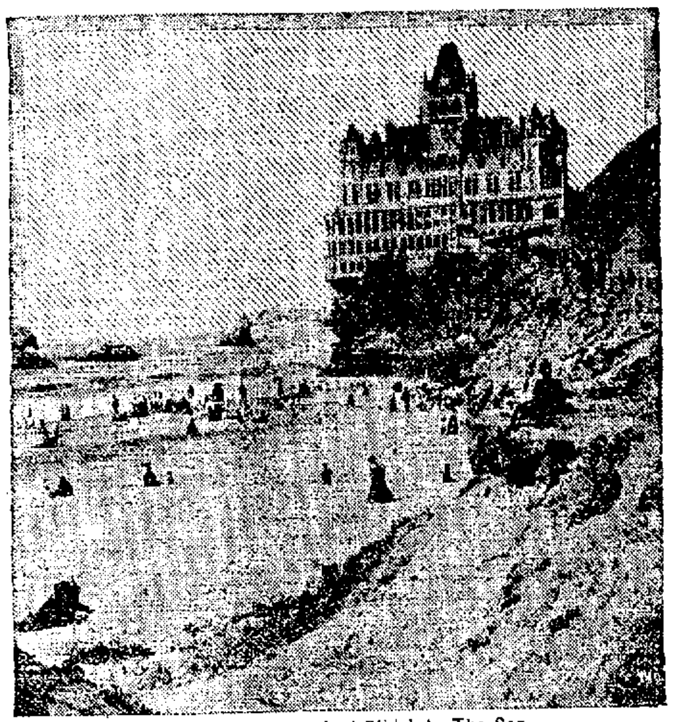
New York, April 23—In the playoff [illegible] for the second prize in bil- [illegible] tournament Sutton defeated [illegible] 200 to 287.

THE CITY DESOLATE.

(By Edwin Markham, author of "The Man with the Hoe.")

A groan of earth in labor-pain,
Her ancient agony and strain;
A tremor on the granite floors—
A heave of seas, a wrench of shores,
A crash of walls, a moan of lips,
A terror on the towers and ships;
Blind streets where men and ghosts go by;
Whirled smoke mushrooming on the sky;
Roofs, turrets, domes with one acclaim
Turned softly to a bloom of flame—
Gone with their dreams of joy and power
In this dread splendor of an hour.

THE FAMOUS CLIFF HOUSE



Early Reports Said this Noted Resort had Slid Into The Sea.

FRISCO TALK FULL OF NERVE

Looking After Homeless and Preparing to Rebuild The City.

BRIGHT SPOTS IN CLOUD

One Is The General Good Health Prevailing in Midst of Disaster.

San Francisco, April 23.—The New San Francisco which will rise from the ashes of the old, was in its first stages of rebuilding today. After five days of confusion and almost superhuman effort on the part of citizens in the great task of sheltering, feeding and otherwise caring for the homeless thousands, complete order has been re-established and attention turned to the future.

Throughout the business district walls are being razed and buildings that had stood the test of the earthquake and fire being inspected with a view of re-occupancy and ground being cleared for immediate construction of new buildings.

Made Good Feeling.

Assurance of insurance companies, measures taken by financial institutions, prompt and reassuring work that had reached business men of San Francisco from eastern financial centers, all these things went to clear away any feeling of uncertainty that might have existed.

The general situation temporarily suffered a set back early today because of a chilling rain which fell last night and early today. While the rain caused considerable suffering for the time being, conditions were quickly ameliorated by prompt action of every relief committee doing duty, as well as by voluntary acts of householders wherever it was possible to accommodate homeless ones.

Feeding People.

People were fed today in thoroughly business like and systematic manner. From the water front where boatloads of provisions were docked there was an endless procession of carts and drays carrying food to sub-stations established throughout the city and parks. At these stations food and drink were served to all those who applied.

By the Ton.

About 1,500 tons of provisions are being moved daily from the water front. Large supplies of blankets, tentings, and other material to provide coverings for those who have been scantily supplied heretofore are reaching supply stations rapidly.

Barracks have been completed at several points and in these many people have found comfort and shelter against inclemencies of the weather.

General health conditions are most satisfactory. The most encouraging feature is the absence of anything like an epidemic of disease of any nature whatever.

Twelve Meet Death.

Antwerp, April 23.—Twelve excursionists were drowned today in the river Scheldt by the capsizing of a ferry boat.

BRIGADIER GENERAL FREDERICK FUNSTON, IN COMMAND OF UNITED STATES TROOPS AT SAN FRANCISCO.

QUAKE IN COAST TOWNS.

Grants Pass, Ore., April 23—An earthquake shock was felt here a few minutes past 1 o'clock this morning. No damage.

Glendale, Ore., April 23—A slight earthquake shock was felt here at 1:11 o'clock this morning.

Washington, April 23—The seismograph in the weather bureau recorded a very feeble earthquake shock beginning at 4:25 a. m. April 23 and lasting until 5. The stronger part of the disturbance occurred from 4:29 to 4:32 a. m.

Medford, Ore., April 23—A slight but distinct earthquake shock was felt here at 2 o'clock this morning. No damage.

San Francisco, April 23—The Associated Press received a cable today from Honolulu stating the shock felt in this city was recorded by seismograph. The disturbance, however, was hardly felt by the people of the islands.

ABSENCE OF NEWS WORRIES M'KENNAS

Associate Chief Justice Recalls Invitations to Daughter's Wedding.

Washington, April, 23—Associate Justice McKenna of the United States supreme court and Mrs. McKenna have on account of the disaster in San Francisco, and lack of tiding from Mrs. McKenna's father and Justice McKenna's brother, both of whom live in San Francisco, recalled the wedding invitations to the wedding of their daughter, Marie, to Davenport Brown of Boston, April 25th. The wedding will take place in the presence of only relatives of the bride and groom.

CHICAGO CHINATOWN CONTRIBUTES $5,000

Celestials of Garden City Are Generous to the Unfortunates.

Chicago, April 23—Chicago's Chinatown has contributed more than $5,000 to the victims of the San Francisco earthquake. Many of the Celestials, unaware that anything out of the ordinary had occurred in the coast city, were acquainted with the facts of the horror at the joss house meeting yesterday and bills were literally poured into the collection boxes when they were passed around.

FIFTEEN MILLION FOR CALIFORNIA BANKS

Secretary Shaw Orders That Much Sent There On Approved Security.

Washington, April 23.—Secretary Shaw has given directions that fifteen million dollars of public money be distributed among national banks of San Francisco and immediate vicinity, which will include Oakland, as soon as the banks furnish satisfactory security. The secretary was in Chicago today and his directions to this effect were wired to the treasury department here late this afternoon.

MORE REGULARS.

Oakland, April 23.—Today three more companies of regulars arrived in the city. They came from Vancouver barracks.

STAY AWAY!

San Francisco, April 30—Traffic Director Stubbs, of the Southern Pacific system today requested the press throughout the country to advise all people not to try to reach San Francisco, as outsiders are not allowed here. It would add to the congestion in cities around the bay and it would be impossible for strangers to locate their friends. All people are being well taken care of and there will be no trouble if supplies keep coming in.

FRENCH CONSUL LOST.

San Francisco, April 23.—It is feared the French consul, M. LeConto Perritti de la Rosa is lost. The vice consul has made every effort to locate his chief and has been unsuccessful.

AWFUL THUNDERSTORM

San Jose Has Another Shock to Frighten The People.

San Jose, April 23.—San Jose today experienced the fiercest thunderstorm ever known. People were driven from their houses. Not much damage was done. The work of clearing away the debris is progressing. The city still is under strict military rule.

MORE HELP FOR QUAKE VICTIMS

Additional Appropriation Agreed to by House and Senate.

Washington, April 23.—With the debate the house today concurred in the senate amendment on a joint resolution appropriating $1,500,000 for the relief of San Francisco sufferers. The District of Columbia matters occupied the remainder of the session.

The senate today increased to $500,000 the second appropriation of funds in behalf of the sufferers of the California earthquake.

LaFollette concluded his speech on the railroad rate bill. The bill for organization of a dental corps in the army passed and the Indian appropriation bill was under consideration late in the day.

ONE CHERRY AT $105

Whole Box Brought $2,440 At An Auction.

Philadelphia, Pa., April 23.—A box of California cherries, the first received here this season, was sold today for $2,440 and the money was added to the relief fund. The cherries were sold singly, the first one going at $105, others going various amounts ranging from $100 to 5 cents.

Burned Area's Circumference 26 Miles; Loss $300,000,000

San Francisco, April 23—Five hundred bodies have been recovered and buried or cremated. This dreadful total goes to prove that the estimate of the loss of life has not been exaggerated. Only a small part of the ruins have been explored. It is impossible to tell now how many of the victims have been buried without permits from the coroners and board of health. Many bodies have been found by one or another of widely separated searching parties and have been interred without any ceremony or formality. Even an approximately accurate list of the deaths and casualties cannot be made at the moment.

The entire area over which the flames raged was covered in an automobile Sunday. The circumference of this area, as measured by accurate cyclometer, was 26 miles. It comprises the entire business district and a large part of the residential section, which was densely populated. The loss will aggregate $300,000,000. This estimate was made, calmly and carefully, by competent insurance experts. On this vast amount of property the insurance companies carried $175,000,000 approximately.

The relief work is being accomplished magnificently. The great problem of sanitation is being met with energy and foresight. Up to this morning no case of serious illness has been reported from the chief refugee camps.

NEW PRIMARY BILLS ARE DROPPING IN

Legislature Likely to Have a Surfeit of Measures to Consider.

Special to The Herald.

Springfield, Ill., April 23.—Two new primary bills made their appearance in the general assembly today, one in each branch. Mr. Trautman of St. Clair county introduced in the house a bill that has been in course of preparation for several days by that clique of house members known three years ago as the Sherman faction. It undertakes to regulate primaries all over the state, while the bill introduced in the upper branch by Dr. Galpin of Cook is for the regulation of city primaries only.

The Trautman Measure.

The Trautman measure, on its face, appears to be the nearest thing to the "comprehensive primary act" yet produced and its sponsers are enthusiastic in its support. In effect, it is an extension of the present Cook county act. It provides for the holding of all primaries on the same day, delegates and pluralities, returns to be made to the county clerks in the country and the election commissioners in Cook county. An expression of sentiment on the matter of United States senator is provided for, but no petitions for nomination are required. This bill leaves out the governing of nominations in judicial, township, sanitary district, county commissioners, board of review and assessors' elections. It also is in line with a new opinion by Attorney General Stead that a bill cannot be made to apply to the office of governor without including all other elective state officers.

Wheelock Bill.

W. W. Wheelock, attorney for the election board of Cook county, is on hand with a primary bill that is understood to have the support of the administration. This measure provides for direct primaries. The anti-administration forces favor the Galpin bill for city primaries.

Two more primary bills are expected to be ready for introduction tomorrow. One will be the product of the sub-committee of the house committee on elections, and the other will embody the ideas of the similar committee of the senate. The latter is practically complete tonight, but may be subject to some revision in minor points before passing muster.

Senate Substitute.

When the senate committee bill is introduced, as a substitute for the Stead bill, which will come up tomorrow as a special order on second reading, an effort will be made to push it through to third reading, so that the senate may put up the matter of trimming the measure to the popular branch. The senate bill will include nothing higher than congressional nominations, except for a popular vote on the proposition of selecting a United States senator. Plurality nominations will be provided for in county offices and in all others the 35 per cent provision will apply. The senate, as a whole, is not particularly adverse to the plurality proposition on all nominations, but it is the intention of the members of the committee to put it up to the house to finally pass on this point.

Senator Berry, chairman of the committee, believes a solution of the 35 per cent project has been found. While it is generally agreed that a direct requirement for an arbitrary percentage to nominate would be unconstitutional, it is proposed to provide for delegate nominations, with the additional stipulation that where the candidate with the greatest vote has received 35 per cent of the total vote cast, the delegates shall be instructed to vote for him in convention.

In Separate Bill.

The senate also contemplates considering the city primary proposition in a separate bill and when the matter comes to an issue probably will insist upon a referendum clause which will leave all municipalities free to accept or reject it as they individually desire.

Although only a few members were in attendance at the session of either branch today, the opinion appears unanimous that a new session will not be called in order to legalize an appropriation for the San Francisco sufferers. It is pointed out that an appropriation of any sort for use outside of the state could be stopped by legal proceedings and the present assembly could appropriate money for this purpose as well as one called especially for the purpose.

NEW YORK PURSE STRINGS ARE LOOSE

Nearly Four Million Poured Into the Coast Town Relief Fund.

New York, April 23.—Estimates now show the contributions of New York state for victims of the catastrophe on the Pacific coast will exceed $3,500,000.

The legislature today passed a bill appropriating $250,000. Among the contributions received today was $2,500 from Consul General Uchida, chairman of the Japanese committee. William F. Cody telegraphed $1,000 from Turin.

DUTY IS TO BE TAKEN OFF

Certain Goods Are to be Admitted Free for a Time.

Washington, April 23.—At the suggestion of Secretary Shaw, Congressman Knowland of California introduced a bill providing that imported provisions and other supplies used by or through military or civil authorities for relief of sufferers from the recent earthquake and fire in San Francisco shall be exempt from payment of duties, under such regulations as the secretary of the treasury may prescribe.

HARRIMAN URGES HELP BE SENT

Points Out Enormous Number That Are Absolutely Demented.

Ogden, Utah, April 23.—E. H. Harriman sends the following message, "Having gone over the situation in San Francisco, I am deeply impressed with the necessity of uninterrupted forwarding of food supplies with which to feed 200,000 homeless persons."

Six hundred forty-four refugees reached Ogden at noon and are being fed by the local relief committee.

Among them is Mrs. Ida Reed, bound for Waverly, Iowa, who is in jail, a raving maniac. Her ten-year-old son is being cared for by a relief committee.

THE LOCAL WEATHER.

The local weather conditions for the 24 hours ended at 7 p. m. as reported by J. H. Coonradt, government observer, follows:

7 a. m.	38
Noon	55
7 p. m.	53
Highest	61
Lowest	31

NEARBY TOWNS

TUSCOLA.

Special Correspondence

Tuscola, April 2[illegible]—Mr and Mrs N G Irwin formerly residents of this city are supposed to have been in San Francisco at the time of the disaster there. A letter dated Monday, April 16 was received by relatives here Friday in which they stated that they would depart from San Francisco Wednesday morning at 8 20 o'clock. Their relatives in this city feel relieved at their safety.

The business men's association of this city is giving a great deal of support to the city's enterprises. Every lot in the [illegible] commerce addition to the city has been sold and Tuscola is now prepared to negotiate with manufacturing firms.

Dr C A Derman who accompanied the body of his wife to Charleston for interment last Wednesday was taken ill while in that city. He is quite sick.

The Tuscola school district election was held Saturday. The polls open from 2 to 4 o'clock. There was considerable interest and there were two tickets in the field.

The temperance people in this city are making promises of a crusade against our two [illegible] storage houses [illegible] the license [illegible]

TOLONO

Special Correspondence

Tolono, April 2[illegible]—August Kuntz [illegible] was in town Thursday. He was on his way to Champaign with [illegible] span of black horses which he [illegible] of that place.

James Cook of the Carpenter neighborhood succeeded in capturing two old foxes and five young ones a few days since. They were all taken alive. The young ones were caught in the nest [illegible] in traps.

Mrs E I Reiff is enjoying a visit from her father Mr Tucker from the [illegible] part of the state.

Miss Gertie Murphy and Miss Margaret Allen with Dr Dermer and Ed [illegible] Jaques attended the show in Champaign Thursday evening.

Miss Selina Rose is visiting her sister Mrs E I Bookless.

[illegible] early Friday morning [illegible] damaged [illegible] Henry Sharp's res[illegible]. The fire department responded promptly and soon extinguished the flames. The fire started in the roof though from what cause is not known.

In a fight with some bums Friday night Will Blankenship [illegible] the [illegible] The injured one [illegible] Dr Martin for repairs.

The girls of the Freshman class at the high school gave their boy friends a delightful party at the G A R hall Thursday evening.

LAPLACE.

Special Correspondence

LaPlace April [illegible]—Mrs Lee Shively spent Sunday with her parents [illegible] J [illegible] of Lintner.

Miss Ethel McSherry was the guest of her aunt Mrs Stillbower of Purcell over Sunday.

The school here closes May 4.

A R Dickson proprietor of the brick store has ordered a full and complete line of dry goods which will be in a few days.

Mrs A [illegible] Cunningham called on Mrs A [illegible] Duncan of Lintner.

Dr Welch made a business trip to Decatur Thursday.

Mrs [illegible] Reining who has been on the sick list is some better again.

Mrs Bert Pettit of Cerro Gordo called on friends here Tuesday.

IVESDALE

Special Correspondence

Ivesdale, April [illegible]—Miss Stella Mason of Bement was the guest of Miss Angie Burke Monday.

Tom Wilder of Monticello was here on business Wednesday.

John Ritter of Champaign was in town Tuesday.

George Kreke of Bement was here Monday.

W A Miller was a Sadorus visitor on Thursday.

Mrs J J Cahill of Elk spent several days here this week the guests of relatives.

Miss Julia Hawker of Urbana was the guest of Mr and Mrs H P Mulkey on Monday.

METCALF.

Special Correspondence

Metcalf, April 2[illegible]—John Owens and wife visited the latter's mother Mrs Lizzie Wyatt of Chrisman Ill Saturday afternoon.

Frank Cash and wife are rejoicing over the arrival of a bouncing baby girl.

Earl Dougherty has opened a pool room in the rooms adjoining his barber shop in the Lucas building.

Mrs E J Breen visited relatives in Terre Haute last week.

Great enthusiasm was manifested at the school election Saturday. Frantz A Huth and William B Stone were candidates and the former received 55 votes the latter 48 votes. The women of the village took an active part in this election.

J W Jennings Henry J Glick and T A Reed went to Sumner Okla last week to attend the drawing of lots under the auspices of the Frisco Lot and Land company. Several people of our little town took chances on lots in Sumner.

It is rumored that John B Galway will erect a brick hotel on the lots recently purchased from W A Rich.

Mrs Chas Penefield of Hume attended the Royal Neighbor lodge here on Thursday afternoon.

Mrs Jas Gladden visited with her parents J H Jones and wife last week.

Charles Penefield and wife of Hume visited John Woodward and wife last Thursday.

Miss Tillie Wyatt of Chrisman and sister Mrs John Owens of this place visited Mrs Will Sullivan at Hume who has been dangerously ill for several weeks last Thursday.

Art Kizer of near Sidell Ill visited with his cousin J V Kizer here Saturday.

MAROA.

Special Correspondence

Maroa Ill April 21—A H Hurt was a Decatur visitor Friday.

Convers Military band played in Decatur Friday evening at the Coliseum.

J F Mittles and wife left Thursda for Rankin Ill to spend a few days with his parents.

Misses Harriet Potter Sylvia Pogue Edna Schenck, Edith Schenck and Mr and Mrs J O Wyatt attended the Mayor of Tokio at the Grand in Decatur Friday evening.

Earl Morrison and P C Malone were Decatur visitors Friday evening.

Hugh Phares of Clinton visited friends here Friday afternoon.

Lloyd Harrington of Dalton City was here Friday to attend the funeral of his aunt Hattie Cross.

S O Friedman and wife returned from California Thursday where they had spent the winter.

William Buck is in Decatur this week laying the foundation for Charles Shaffer's new house on North Main street.

M C Lilly was a business visitor in Decatur Friday.

The Maroa Blues will open the base Anheuser Busch team of Decatur ball season here Sunday with the

Dr R E Vernon was called to Salem this week by the death of his mother.

MORRISONVILLE.

Special Correspondence

Morrisonville Ill April 21—W D Hard of the county capital was here Monday looking up the revenue dues.

G A Wahl returned to his farm in Missouri Monday. He will be absent two weeks.

Fire caused from the escape of gasoline from an engine in Kelso carpenter shop caused alarm. The Fire company promptly responded and little damage was done.

The village election resulted as follows: Fourteen in favor of license. The license will remain at $500 per annum.

Morris Kelso and Kate Dudy were married Wednesday evening in the parlor of Father Haven's parsonage.

Nick Marsh secured the contract for erecting a general merchandise building for J H Bertmann. The lot has been cleared by Dr Bosley moving the building he purchased to his lot in the north part of town.

Farmers are improving this week in oat sowing.

MT. ZION.

Special Correspondence

Mt Zion April 21—Ed Pierce has purchased the barber shop from Clarence Smith.

W S Smith is shelling his corn this week.

The road commissioners are having the iron bridge repaired just west of town.

The farmers are rushing the oats sowing. Most of them will get through this week.

Davison and Reidhead are painting the C P church.

W I Davidson is having his house and fence painted on Maple street.

S B Fromm has rented a farm in Clay county and will move on it the coming week.

Mrs C H Smith and little daughter Letty of Springfield visited here Tuesday and Wednesday with relatives.

W H Armstong and V G Draper attended I O O F lodge at Casner Wednesday night.

STONINGTON.

Special Correspondence

Stonington Ill April 21—Miss Myrtle Pevyhouse visited friends in Taylorville the first of the week.

Dr W J Saling is at work this week improving his residence property by the laying of concrete walks.

D W Livergood has let the contract for the erection of four 26x30 foot residences in the south part of town.

Mr and Mrs W Schrantz were Decatur visitors Wednesday.

Otis Shaw was home on election day.

Mrs Mullen took dinner Friday with Mrs O Z Housley.

Mrs Frank Robertson spent a few days last week at her old home at Windsor Ind.

James Conover traveling salesman spent a few days with his mother Mrs Conover and sister Minnie.

J F Bauer went to Champaign Wednesday to spend a few days with his family.

Mr and Mrs Judd McGowan of Clinton spent Easter with the latter's mother Mrs Sabin.

ATWOOD.

Special Correspondence

Atwood Ill April 21—Mrs Elizabeth Erhardt who is attending business college at Quincy is visiting her brother here this week.

Mr Scribner of Rushville Ind was here on business Tuesday.

Mrs Laughlin of Decatur was here Wednesday visiting her aunt June Fryon.

Mrs Gore went to join her husband at Marion Ill Tuesday.

Mr and Mrs I M Hoel of Tuscola were visiting with friends here Thursday.

Mrs Theo Bercher returned to Atwood Tuesday after a week's visit at Danville Ill with her sister.

Mrs Mae Rideout made a business trip to Tuscola Tuesday.

Mr Hackett of Tuscola was in town this week.

Mrs Fred Helton gave a reception Thursday afternoon from 3 until 5 in honor of her daughter Mrs John Hughes of Phoenix Wash who is visiting here. The afternoon was spent in playing progressive flinch. Refreshments were served. Thirty guests were present.

Mrs Ed Brooks and baby of Newton Ill are visiting her parents Mr and Mrs Wilbur Leachman north of town.

Miss Bertha Stanninger went to Arthur Friday morning where she has a position as trimmer for Mrs Maxwell.

Mrs Weatherholt made a business trip to Arthur Thursday afternoon.

WELDON.

Special Correspondence

Weldon Ill April 21—Earl Miles is home from Chicago for vacation. He has been attending the U of I school of pharmacy there.

John Costley went to Springfield Wednesday on business.

Mrs C D Robertson went to Arkansas Monday where she will visit her parents for a month.

Mrs Lem O'Daffer of Clinton visited Mrs William Glasgow Thursday and Friday.

Miss Anna Sweeney visited home folks at Bloomington over Sunday.

Walter Thomas and Linn Miles drove to Clinton Sunday.

I S Carr went to Bloomington Monday for a few days visit with his brother M T Carr.

T L Covey went to Oklahoma Tuesday.

Earl Long and Fred Holmvquist of the U of I spent Sunday at the home of Mr Holmvquist.

H Nottleman and wife went to Decatur to spend Easter.

Mr and Mrs G E Covey spent a few days in Champaign last week.

CISCO.

Special Correspondence

Cisco Ill April 20—William Eavy who lives west of town is seriously ill.

Misses Davis Drum and Chance took the teachers examination in Monticello last Saturday.

Richard McAtee was in Bloomington on business Tuesday and Wednesday.

D E Wilson and wife of La Place were with the family of J E Underwood over Sunday.

Mrs Cora Pease and Henry Pease left Tuesday for Canada. Clarence Pease left some time since and is establishing a home in the far northwest.

Miss Bertha Weddle a student in the Illinois Woman's college at Jacksonville spent a short vacation with her parents. She returned to her studies Monday.

E D Spera left for Dakota Tuesday to look after interests he has there.

Richard McAtee and wife left Friday for a two weeks visit with friends and relatives in and near Hammond.

Thomas Kistler drove to Bement Sunday and returned Monday.

Edith Young returned this week from a visit with friends in Decatur.

Friday evening of last week a special joint meeting of the Woodmen and Odd Fellows was held in Odd Fellows hall. After spending a short time in special business and having a good social time a neat sum of money was presented to Rev R G Shaffer as a token of appreciation of him in these two orders.

GARRETT.

Special Correspondence

Garrett Ill April 20—The annual village election held last Tuesday resulted in a landslide for the anti-license ticket. From the shower of votes it seems that the majority of the people have become tired of saloons. Garrett has had them for two years and as that is the usual length of time of their existence in a small town we are not surprised at the result of this election.

Several are attending court this week. The saloons are fighting the charges brought against them by the grand jury.

Captain Goodson is rounding his ball team in good shape. They are practicing each day and without a doubt will give Atwood a stiff game next Tuesday. Pierson was scheduled for Friday but canceled the date. This season the best team in the history of Garrett base ball will be put out and we are confident that the team will make as good a showing as any in the brush.

Harter and Friedman started their huckster wagon Wednesday.

MT. AUBURN.

Special Correspondence

Mt Auburn April 20—Dr Holben transacted business in Springfield Wednesday.

John Watkins who underwent a surgical operation several weeks ago is at work again at I M Hudson's blacksmith shop.

Dr Duckwall is in Chicago this week.

Frank Stadler of Taylorville is visiting relatives here this week.

George H Sherman has been appointed guardian of Raymond Smith.

Fred Brust went to Elkhart Thursday on business.

Edward Squires of Divernon spent a few days here this week with his brother Charles and family.

Perlin Hill who has been in the employ of Mason Wise & Co for the past year moved to Morrisonville Thursday.

Grover Thaxton has returned from Ridgely Tenn where he has been for the past three months. He was accompanied by his brother Norman who will return after a week's visit with relatives and friends.

Miss May Donahue of Buffalo visited Miss Maude Duckwall Tuesday.

George Oddy who has been conducting the Mt Auburn hotel for the past year moved his family to Taylorville Thursday.

OUTTEN.

Special Correspondence

Outten Ill April 20—There are some changes in our burg and the faces of our old grocers are seen no more as they have sold out and gone to Colorado. We miss them from our circle.

William Corn and his mother have bought them out and are now doing quite a bit of business.

The Odd Fellows and Rebekahs gave a reception at their hall on the night of the 9th in honor of Mr and Mrs J D Baird and children as they are going away. Those who attended from here were Mr and Mrs J D Baird and children Mrs J B Jones and children W R Martin and family Owen Craig and wife and Misses Rachel Hawkins Grace Martin and Ivy White and Masters Elmer White and Claude Hinnevman. All reported a good time. Refreshments were served.

Miss Bonnie Pritton is quite sick this week.

Miss Lucy Jones who is working for Bart Henry was a home visitor Sunday.

Mrs James Walker who has been visiting her parents Mr and Mrs J I Vowell returned home to Decatur Friday.

Harry Jones was a Decatur visitor Friday.

J E Jones visited his mother Friday and Saturday and returned home Saturday evening to Clinton.

Mrs J B Jones was a Decatur visitor Saturday.

FICKLIN.

Special Correspondence

Ficklin Ill April 20—W A Bryan of Champaign visited at D C Deardluff's Wednesday.

O D Abercombe's baby boy is very sick. Dr Rice is in attendance.

F W Bryan dined with Allie Lewis and wife Thursday.

Mrs Richard Garrett was confined to her bed again this week.

The band boys met for regular practice again Thursday night.

Richard Garrett has killed a number of snakes during the past week.

Mrs Rube Campbell spent two days this week with Mrs O D Abercrombie.

Miss Tina Klaff spent Monday evening with Mrs Henry Zumer.

Prof Leachman and his pupils are making cinder walks in the school house yard.

Russell Lewis did not show up for work Wednesday and Thursday and his friends fear he is sick.

George Stabler is tiling for Will Joseph.

Warn Brian of Parkville is cutting hedge for Rev Calhoun.

Miss Tina Klaff finished a very successful school at Sulphur Springs Thursday and returned to her home in Indiana Friday morning.

Mrs Al Hubble drove in to Tuscola Tuesday and brought D N Boyce out with her to have the Sulphur Springs teacher and pupils photographed. Mr Boyce returned on the 6 35 p m train that evening.

Chris Zeimer of Broadlands visited his parents several days last week.

Miss Mae Adeling was shopping in Ficklin Wednesday afternoon.

A number of Ficklin people attended county court Friday in the Garrett and Chandler trial.

Uncle Billy Walker reports an average gathering of 228 eggs per day for the past three weeks. Uncle Billy says he has sold over $100 worth of eggs the last year.

Eggs are not so plenty on the market this week as they have been as the farmers are too busy to come to town.

Elmer Lewis finished sowing oats Thursday and Dan Deardluff has planted his potatoes.

Mrs O S Lewis was called to Mount Gillead Monday by the serious illness of her niece, Mrs Pearl Fry.

Rube Campbell tells us he will have all the peaches needed for family use if nothing further happens to prevent.

Dan Deardluff has a fine fresh Jersey cow but not for sale.

Richard Garrett made a trip to Filson with a wagon Wednesday and brought back a load of his farming implements.

Charles Humberger of Murdock bought a work horse of A L Bliss at the Okaw stock farm Monday.

NEWMAN.

Special Correspondence

Newman Ill April 20—There will be an open meeting of the law and order league next Monday night at which time the re-organization for the coming year will be effected.

Miss Edna Hamilton arrived from Greencastle Ind Thursday evening where she has been attending DePauw university. She is a daughter of the local Methodist minister and has developed strong symptoms of typhoid fever. She was met at Poachdale by her mother and the family physician.

Henley Eversole will leave Tuesday for Palacios Texas where he has large real estate interests.

Mrs Eversole entertained the Newman's Woman's club Friday evening which also resolved itself into an open meeting.

Mr and Mrs Thomas Rutherford entertained a number of their especial friends at a 12 o'clock dinner Thursday.

Miss Hurley a domestic employed in the family of W M Young was severely injured by an attack from a vicious cow. She was rescued by her brother who happened to be present.

The first game of baseball for this city will take place tomorrow between the Allerton Athletes and the Newman high school team. So far Newman has not been able to organize a league team for this season.

A prospecting company has been organized for the purpose of boring for oil coal and gas. George W Hughes president of the Hume bank is president and O A Myers and C W Parker of this city secretaries. The company will soon be ready for leasing territory and the prospecting will be about three miles east of Newman and west of Hume.

W W Winn is having plans drawn for a two story brick business room on the corner of Yates and Broadway. This is one of the choice locations of the city.

WAYNESVILLE.

Special Correspondence

Waynesville Ill, April 20—James Edwards has returned from Indian Head Canada where he has sojourned for the past year.

Harry Lowery left Saturday for Hannibal Mo where he will work at the carpenter trade this summer.

H D Bayliss left Tuesday for Indian Head Canada where he will work at the carpenter trade this summer.

James Thompson of Terre Haute Ind was here a few days last week on business and visiting old friends.

Mr and Mrs Fred Cutting of Clinton were the guests of Mr and Mrs Sam Martin Friday and Saturday.

Miss Lelia Marvil visited over Sunday with Mrs Kizer in Bloomington.

Mrs I S Atchison visited with relatives in Mattoon last week.

Mrs Ruth Minier of Warren Minn is here visiting her parents Mr and Mrs Gelsthorpe.

Mrs Dr S A Graham of Hospital, Ill called on a friend.

Mr and Mrs Harry Yousum of Lincoln visited over Sunday with Mrs Sarah Yousum.

Ralph Dragstrum returned Monday to his school work in Eureka.

Harry Rigton of Peoria spent Sunday at home with his folks.

Fred Thompson and family of Clinton spent Sunday with Mrs Thompson's mother.

Mr and Mrs Fred Heisemann of Decatur visited over Sunday with his son.

John Robinson of Lincoln visited his sister Mrs John Finfrock.

The village election was held Tuesday with two tickets in the field the issue being license or no license the entire vote being out and the result was the election of the anti license ticket except one license trustee. The vote was very close ranged from one to ten so the saloons are out for another year.

BEMENT.

Special Correspondence

Bement April 20—Mr and Mrs Jess Root of Decatur are visiting in town.

Frank Sprague and Ben Schuh are in Oklahoma on business.

Tommie Burns is visiting his mother in Mount Sterling. Will Renner is filling his place at the telegraph office.

Mrs G Geston and son were in Decatur Thursday.

Mrs Mike O'Laughlin was shopping in Decatur Thursday.

Mrs Mary Comeford returned to the St Mary's hospital in Decatur Thursday.

Mrs Cris Cornelious of Christian county is visiting relatives in town.

William Davis is seriously ill at his home northeast of town.

Mr and Mrs Marion Lonnon of Decatur are visiting his parents.

Mrs Ed Mover returned home last Thursday from Bondsville her daughter Mrs Dave Johnson was some better.

H H Harsbarger is in North Dakota.

Earl Martin is breaking on the south local.

Fred Camp and Mr and Mrs Grace Deveaux and children are in San Francisco and their many friends are anxious to hear from them.

Mrs G W Thompson and her daughter Mrs Anna Crook are visiting Mrs H H East at Maroa.

H B Connelly is in Matchwood Mich.

Jack Hardin went to Chicago where he has a position.

William Davies died Friday morning at his home northeast of this place. He had been in poor health for some time. He leaves a wife and three grown children. Mr Davies was one of the largest land owners near Bement. He was a good man and leaves a host of friends to mourn his loss.

MONTICELLO.

Special Correspondence

Monticello, April 20.—Mrs Annabel Stickel died at her late home in Chicago Wednesday evening at 10 30. Mrs Stickel had been a resident of Monticello all her life having moved to Chicago in midwinter.

Mrs Stickel was formerly Miss Annabel Piatt daughter of James A Piatt the first settler of Piatt county. She was married to Daniel Stickel May 31 1842. She is survived by her brothers William H Piatt of this city Richard F Piatt of Oakland, Cala, and her half-sister Mrs Mary J Bryden. Mrs Stickel is survived by five living children. They are Richard Stickel of Decatur Mrs Minia Kroell of Mansfield Mrs John Barnes of Seattle, Wash, and Misses Anna and Nellie Stickel of Chicago.

The remains will be brought here for interment, beside her husband, who died some years ago. The funeral arrangements have not yet been made.

Mrs Ruth Yockey returned Thursday evening from a visit with friends in Champaign.

Mrs Frank Hetishee spent Thursday in Decatur.

N S Spencer architect of Champaign was here Thursday in conference with the building committee of the new Presbyterian church.

Miss Nellie Morton left Thursday for a visit of several days with her parents at Victoria Ill.

Donn Platt of Oklahoma City, Okla is visiting friends here this week.

Mr and Mrs Charles Kilborn, Mrs M E Lyons of Decatur and Mrs Mollie Knott spent Thursday in Champaign the guests of Mrs Rebecca Smith. Miss Lelia Smith being home for the day.

Mrs John Kirby and daughter Mrs Bert England are in Chicago this week.

Mrs John Maier is very low at her home in the east part of town.

Dr Burt Caldwell who has completed his course in the St Louis hospital will locate in White Heath in the near future.

Mrs J Cline Mrs McDaniel Mrs Sarah Swigart and Mrs John White of White Heath attended the woman's club Wednesday.

The Piatt County Medical Society will meet here next Tuesday. Dr Bumstead will read a paper on Nephrites. Drs Graves Coffin and Marvill will lead the discussion.

J M Ross of White Heath and Mrs L G Meyers of Decatur were married by Rev H G Gleiser at A B Zybell's. The groom is 76 and the bride 65.

Evan Stevenson is spending the week in Chicago.

Misses Lizzie and Gordia Ayre spent Wednesday in Decatur.

Dr and Mrs Fred Keel will entertain at a dinner party Friday night.

Miss Floy Smith closed her school at Slabtown Thursday.

Mrs A J McBride of Decatur is visiting her daughter, Mrs Frank Scott and John F Hott.

Miss Gladys Tinder will act as matron at Wilmington, during the vacation of Mrs Flo Miller.

BOODY.

Special Correspondence

Boody April 20—Farmers are very busy sowing oats.

Harry Bailey attended the tournament in Decatur Thursday.

County Superintendent Jones visited our schools Thursday.

A new warning sign has been placed west of the depot.

John Pistorius and F Bailey transacted business in Decatur Thursday.

Mose Gilmore arrived home from Oklahoma City Okla Sunday night. He has been working with a construction gang but had his left leg broken above the knee by being caught in an overturned scraper. He has been in the hospital since February 10.

LATHAM.

Special Correspondence

Latham April 20—The election of the village was successful for the license ticket which was elected by majorities ranging from 4 to 12.

A surprise party was given on Miss Polly Hamilton on last Monday evening.

Mrs C Waddell formerly Miss Cleo Hall is at Springfield Hospital undergoing treatment for a throat effection.

Tom Galloway of Peoria was a visitor with friends here on Monday.

The absence of Oscar J Lucas on a business trip in the west the last two weeks has caused great amount of gossip that was entirely uncalled for. It will not be long until Mr Lucas who has always enjoyed the confidence of every person in this vicinity will be back and then the 'wise ones' will be ready with 'I told you so.'

Mr H A Hoover has been employed by the International Harvester company for this season.

HIGH FRUIT PRICES.

American Apples Would Sell Well in Europe.

Consul Brittain writes from Kehl that he talked in Strassburg with an extensive importer of fresh fruits who showed him some early peaches and French apples which he sells for 23 cents each. The consul continues:

These apples were in no way superior to our finer grades, and not so large nor attractive in appearance. I asked him why he did not import American apples and mentioned several varieties superior to any grown in Europe. The enterprising importer seemed glad to talk over the matter and said he would import more American apples if the exporters in America would pack them properly. He said that in several instances owing to poor packing in America and rough handling at the German custom houses entire shipments had been spoiled. He showed me a box of apples packed loosely and without having been wrapped in paper which were entirely worthless when they reached Strassburg.

"The fruit importer felt sure American fruit would arrive in good condition if proper attention were given it. This winter one grocer sold a consignment of inferior Baldwin apples for 8 cents per pound, and said he found a good market for them on account of their fine flavor. There is a general complaint however about apples packed in barrels especially from dealers who cater to the better class of trade. It is claimed that apples packed in barrels are more or less bruised and when exposed for sale soon rot. If our exporters would wrap fine apples peaches pears and other fruit in tissue paper and pack the fruit in fine excelsior they could capture the finer European trade and the fruit would bring high prices. Many American exporters are too indifferent to the advice given them by consuls as to how merchandise should be packed. They expect a barrel of apples packed in Ohio to reach the consumer in Germany in as good condition as if sent only to a neighboring state.

DEEDS RECORDED.

Zenitt Hallett, administrator to Jacob Wedekind a tract in the northwest quarter of 11, 16, 1 west, $3 110.

Stephen H Swam to Joseph Vest, lot 18 in block 3 of H A Wood's West Park addition of outlots to Decatur $825.

William C. Field to W. E. Reid lot 15 in W C Field's resurvey of block 9 of Gulick's addition to Decatur, $225.

William E Reid to J W Diller lot 15 in W C Field's resurvey of block 9 of Gulick's addition to Decatur $250.

Charles F Johnston to Thomas J Atcheson twenty five feet off the north side of lot 7 in block 1 of Michl, Harpstrite & Shlaudeman's sub division of lot 22 of Assessor's resurvey of the northwest quarter of the northwest quarter of 23-16 2 east $500.

Ida M Sanders to Mary A Bradley lot 15 and the north half of lot 16 in the sub-division of the east half of William Birk's addition to Decatur, $4 000.

John L Drake to Louis Lukemyer, lot 25 in block 11 of H A Wood's Walnut Grove addition to Decatur $200.

Mary A Bradley to Ida M Sanders lots 4 5 6 and 7 of H H Brown's second sub-division of a part of lot 16 in the northwest quarter of 15 16, 2 east $2 000.

Byrd L Davis to J H Drobisch lot 1 in block 6 of the Chamber of Commerce addition of outlots $1.

Thomas C Grady trustee, to Hiram S Tuming trustee's deed to lot 5 in Crocker's addition of outlots to Decatur excepting eighty feet off the south side, $2,060.

Thomas C Grady trustee to John S Stoutenborough ninety feet off the south side of lot 16 in Railroad addition to Maroa $1 600.

Samuel M Lutz to Bessie F Lutz lot 2 in block 2 of Dunham's addition to Decatur $3 000.

Bessie F Lutz to F F Lutz lot 2 in block 2 of Dunham's addition to Decatur $3 000.

Charles E Readhead to William B Hunter a tract in the original survey of Mt Zion $850.

Charles A Brockway to George M Crockrell lot 7 of W C Field's resurvey of block 9 of Gulick's addition to Decatur $650.

John B Riber to Charles E Readhead, a tract in the original survey of Mt Zion $850.

Charles W Tuttle to George E Moeller quit claim to a tract in block 2 of Hostetler's part of Cowan & Hostetler's addition to Decatur $1.

Wilber R Batchelder to Myra Bass lot 10 in block 2 of Julia A Williams addition to Decatur $400.

Michael Haher to Margaret Haher a tract in block 1 of South addition to Decatur $100.

Susanna Miller to Henry Hursch lot 8 in block 2 of Syndicate addition to Decatur $2 400.

PAY THE BILLS

Meeting of the Highway Commissioners Saturday Afternoon

The highway commissioners held their regular meeting yesterday afternoon at the office of the town clerk. John Nichols was appointed pathmaster for the third district. On motion of Commissioner Bachman it was decided that only union teams should be employed on the township roads within the jurisdiction of the teamster's union.

The following bills for road labor were allowed:

W R Fulk	$26 75
F A Fulk	3 00
John Odaffer	19 25
R Scribner	19 25
John Morthland	22 00
Lute Brooks	8 75
J W Ryan	8 75
J T Peel	26 95
S D Hill	17 50
William Roderick	17 50
J I Rush	14 75
Conrad Mann	7 00
Ed Spriggs	19 25
R C Mann	12 25
A A Aldridge	5 25
J C Etherton	17 25

Other bills allowed were as follows:

William Bundy gravel	$3 20
J F Springer, gravel	12 50
Royer and Schlie tile	11 35
S Tuttle inspection	12 00
H Etherton inspection	9 00
C H Muirhead, graveling West Main	95 75

COME BACK FROM PANAMA

Mr. and Mrs. Banus Prater Will Be Here Today.

Mr and Mrs Banus Prater who have been at Panama where Mr Prater was connected with the government work are expected home today. Mr Prater's parents will be here from Centralia to meet him. It is possible that they will remain in this country permanently.

For several weeks they will visit with Mrs Prater's parents Mr and Mrs F P Lovett in the Bullard apartment building. Mrs Prater is best known in Decatur as Daisy Lovett.

NOW FEARING FOUL PLAY

Some of Relatives of Oscar Lucas Think He Has Had a Mishap.

BANKER YET MISSING

And Not a Word Has Been Received From Him

Foul play is now feared by some of the relatives of Oscar Lucas the missing banker of Latham. His brother-in-law George Klick, of Latham was in Decatur Friday. Mr Klick said that A H Lucas, the father of the missing man thinks that he will turn up again but the wife is greatly worried. She fears that her husband will not return and now some of his friends are of the opinion that he has met with foul play.

Mr Lucas took with him several hundred dollars and he wore a handsome watch and chain and was well dressed. His appearance was such a robber might regard him as a good subject and now the wife entertains fears that her husband may have met with misfortune.

He went to Lincoln to settle the estate of the late George Howe and has never been heard from since. Not a line has been received from him and each day the anxiety regarding the missing banker grows greater with his relatives and friends.

WHERE WOMEN CAN VOTE

	Population
London	6 580 000
Glasgow	760 000
Liverpool	684 000
Manchester	544 000
Birmingham	522 000
Melbourne (Victoria)	496 000
Sydney (N S W)	488 000
Belfast	349 000
Edinburgh	316 000
Stockholm	306 000
Dublin	289 000
Christiania	228 000
Aberdeen	153 000
Cardiff (Wales)	164 000
Dundee	160 000
Adelaide (So Australia	163 000
Gothenberg	131 000
Denver	133 000
Brisbane (Queensland)	119 000
Cork	76 000
Bergen	72 200
Salt Lake City	54 000
Kansas City (Kansas)	52 000
Londonderry	40 000
Perth (West Australia)	36 000
Topeka	32 000
Pueblo	28 100
Hobart (Tasmania)	25,000
Wichita	25,000
Colorado Springs	21,000
Leavenworth	21 000
Ogden	16 300
Atchison	16 000
Cheyenne	14 000

Fertility of Eggs.

In a study of the duration of fertilization after the removal of the male bird records were kept of the number of eggs which hatched or which were shown to be fertile. The last trace of fertility was noticed eleven days after separation. The unfertilized eggs had superior keeping qualities so it is recommended that as a rule male birds should not be kept with hens depended upon for market egges. Experience showed that where there are variety of rations and care in feeding them and sufficient floor space there is little likelihood of egg eating or feather picking.

MARRIAGE LICENSES

Elsina King Fowler	20
Katie Jackson Decatur	[illegible]
Adam Shuppara, Decatur	[illegible]
Margaret Treinak Decatur	17
Moses Curtis Decatur	[illegible]
Grace Roderick Decatur	16

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NEARBY TOWNS

SCHOOL BOARD ELECTION HELD

[illegible] and Two New Members Are Elected

[illegible]

Local News

[illegible]

Pete Y[illegible] ladies at a progressive whist [illegible] evening [illegible] went the first prize and [illegible] W Hight the booby The ladies [illegible] Mesdames Stapleton [illegible] Hight Fear [illegible] Williams Allison Head [illegible] Moore Pettes R[illegible] [illegible] boys gave a most [illegible] last evening [illegible]

BURROWSVILLE

[illegible] A Bevel of Indianapolis [illegible] called on friends [illegible] transacted [illegible] Wednesday [illegible] Friday [illegible] Miss Susie [illegible] Saturday in Lovington [illegible] was called to [illegible] visiting with [illegible] candidate for county [illegible] friends in this vicinity [illegible] William [illegible] spent Sunday with [illegible]

CHILD BADLY BURNED BY LYE

[illegible] Severe and at First Thought to be Fatal

[illegible] April 2[illegible] Mrs Will Cummins [illegible] It was at first [illegible] child would not live [illegible] is now much improv[illegible]

[illegible] of New Castle Ind [illegible] fell from [illegible] Kites Mr Woods [illegible] of Lovington [illegible] Sunday [illegible] Mrs Dick McGun [illegible] Sunday in Bethany [illegible] is on the sick list [illegible] of Dalton visited [illegible] of Dalton City [illegible] with her parents [illegible] and wife [illegible] of Decatur was in [illegible] spent Sunday in De[illegible] of Dalton City was [illegible] Jim Vadkin were [illegible] last week [illegible] spent Saturday in [illegible] Wilson was a caller in De[illegible] Mrs Will Highland spent [illegible] of the I M [illegible] at [illegible] sick at home with the [illegible]

ENGINEERS BIG DEAL IN LAND

Said to be the Largest Ever Made in Douglas County

[illegible] Correspondence

[illegible] April 23—Thomas [illegible] to the hustling real estate man recently closed the largest deal ever made in Douglas county whereby Mason Brothers traded their large store building with merchandise stock valued at $12 000 six residences 321 acres of Texas land to J R Johnson of Mexico Mo for his fine 1 000 acre corn farm Consideration in the deal $10 000

Big Bones

S[illegible] Paxter of Decatur was here Saturday looking after his farm While here he secured some bones of mastodon which were procured from I W Speelman They were taken from a farm on which some tiling was being done and will be sent to the Millikin University

HAD RUNAWAY AT CROSSING

Macon Young Men Injured in an Exciting Mixup

Special Correspondence

Macon Ill April 23—Nelson Kriebel had quite an exciting runaway Saturday evening as he and a couple of other young men were starting for home They had stopped at the railroad to wait for a train to go by when the horse became frightened whirled and ran south for a couple of blocks The horse fell down throwing Nelson over his head the other young men having jumped out and striking him on the hip as he got up The horse then ran home leaving the buggy along the road Nelson was not severely injured being able to walk home

Local News

Mrs Ingram of Decatur is visiting her sisters the Misses F[illegible]

Mrs Serene Hoover returned Saturday from a three weeks visit with relatives in Pana

Miss Leona Bowman the democratic candidate for county superintendent was the guest of Henry Jostes and family Sunday

Mrs Daughtery and daughter [illegible] are at West Baden for a couple of weeks

Mr [illegible] of Illiopolis was the guest of Miss [illegible] Morris over Sunday

Miss M[illegible] Nichols took five of her pupils to Springfield Saturday to see the things of interest which were to be seen in that city A very pleasant and profitable day was spent Those in the party were Ethan Hight [illegible] Nellie Patterson Nel[illegible] [illegible] Mattie Jacobs Misses [illegible] Nichols M[illegible] Wilking and Mae Jacobs

Decatur visitors Saturday were Mrs Wilson Frank Hoover and wife Ir[illegible] the Doggett and family

[illegible] Hight was in Carrollton the guest of relatives over Sunday

Mrs Will Hight was in Decatur Saturday visiting her granddaughter Miss [illegible] Hight of Dalton who is in the hospital in that city

Rev DeB[illegible] and Rev Stanford of P[illegible] exchanged pulpits Sunday

Miss Anna McGee of Blue Mound was the guest of her cousin Mrs Yates Steele over Sunday

Mr and Mrs Custer Doolen were in Decatur Sunday visiting Mr and Mrs George Ireland

Mrs Belle Phillips returned Thursday from a visit of several days with her son Frank in Decatur

MONTICELLO.

Special Correspondence

Monticello Ill April 23—John Kn[illegible] spent Friday on business in Decatur

Dr [illegible] O Cline Ona Cline Payne Harris and Miss Zella Coon spent Thursday in Champaign

Miss Catherine Dighton who is attending school in Godfrey is home for her spring vacation

The funeral of Mrs Annabel Stickel was held Saturday morning at 8 30 in the Methodist church Rev Aitken officiating

The following were elected for the school board Allen Moore Members of the board Charles Watts and Otis Moore

The Rebekahs will give a baked owl and coon social at the I O O F hall Monday night

Mrs Jennie Stelman and little daughter of Saybrooke are the guests of her parents W C Hubbart and wife

Dr J M Holmes has moved his office to the building formerly occupied by Dr L I Tidball

The comic opera Miss America will be given in the opera house April 2[illegible]

The Monticello high school base ball team played the DeLand high school team Saturday at DeLand Score 16 to 8 in favor of the latter

Mrs A C Class went to Watseka Friday to visit her daughter Mrs Frank Lowry

The Ladies Missionary society of the Presbyterian church will be held with Mrs Frank Hetishee Thursday afternoon

Chester Williams of Decatur was in town Friday

Real Estate Transfers

James F Rankin to Brent L Purkey land in 28 16 $14 910

Barney Maloy to John Gossett lots [illegible] and 8 block 11 Runkle's addition to [illegible] $600

Robert M Frailey to Chris W Higgins lot 5 block 11 Mansfield's last addition to Mansfield $100

Watkins F Ryle to Clyde H Ryler lot 2 block [illegible] Rhoades re survey to Monticello $10

Elvice Dolan to Ella Dolan and John Dolan quit claim se¼ se¼ section 10 sw¼ sw¼ section 11 n½ nw¼ sw¼ nw¼ sw¼ nw¼ section 14 all in township 16 6 $1

I F Prefeck and wife to Mary Ann Prefeck lots 7 and 8 block 3 Marquiss first addition to DeLand $[illegible]0

William H Johnson and wife to William A Miller land in section 12 17 [illegible] $1100

Elmee Dolan to Mary A Dolan quit claim to land in sections 10 11 and 14 township 16 6 $1

LOVINGTON.

Special Correspondence

Lovington Ill April 23—Rev B F Shupp preached at the M E church last night and held quarterly conference this morning

Rev J F Bickwell Dr W K Hoover and Rev S W Biggs attended the prohibition convention in Springfield last week

Misses Minnie Hurt and Katherine Benham of Illiopolis were guests of Mrs S W Biggs over Sunday

C F Howell shipped a carload of stock to Chicago today

Considerable building will be done in Lovington this spring Elmer Drum has his residence completed John Richardson and others have theirs under way

Farmers are about through sowing oats and are now breaking ground for corn

Mrs J M Shepherd received a visit over Sunday from her brother and wife from Petersburg

Rev S W Beggs left today for Quincy to hold a revival meeting He expects to be gone two weeks

BREAK GROUND ON WEDNESDAY

Contractors Getting Ready For Wabash Shop Foundations.

TEMPORARY SHEDS

Will Be Put Up Today For The Workmen.

General Superintendent Wheat in charge of the work on the new Wabash shops for Stewart & Company hopes to break ground Wednesday or Thursday of this week for the foundation trenches of some of the buildings

Today he will erect the cement shed It will be 14x30 feet and he will have a shed office 12x18 feet Three carloads of cement are now supposed to be on the way to Decatur for the shop foundations In all there will probably be ten or twelve carloads of cement used on the work

The readers of Sunday newspapers and magazines will recollect that a year or two ago there was much written about the way contractors from the United States went to England and opened the eyes of the people there as to the possibilities of a hurry up job The Westinghouse company wanted an enormous building and wanted it at once The English contractors deliberated and at last announced that perhaps two years would be required to complete the work That was the calm deliberate conclusion of the best contractors there It was foolish they said to talk about shorter time than that Contractors in the States were interviewed and asked for bids The James Stewart company got the contract and sent their superintendents to England and erected the building in less than a year The firm which did that job is the firm which has the contract for erecting the Wabash shops in Decatur Their feat in England made them perhaps the most talked about building contractors in the two countries

That feat was a great feather in their cap and the advertising they received on that account and which cost them nothing would have cost them fortunes if paid for at regular rates It gave them a prominence which has ever since been bearing fruit When they make a bid it is well known that they can carry out their contract and that they are equal to getting a move on if the occasion requires

Superintendent Wheat was one of the men selected to go to England and assist in pushing that contract but for personal reasons he declined to go

The second traction engine will be started on the grading at the shop site today Contractor Maloney had expected to have his second traction engine here on Saturday but was delayed in getting it out of the St Louis yards It arrived here Monday and was given a little work yesterday so that it will be ready to work today and that will give six additional teams on the hauling in place where they are needed to ba[illegible] [illegible] work

ASK UNLAND TO UNLOAD

Depositors of Smith Bank Want Him to Return Nearly $10,000.

A LATE WITHDRAWAL

Pekin Ill April 23—The trustees of the Teis Smith & Co bank have served notice on E F Unland to refund to the bank the sum of $9 860 or its equivalent which amount was withdrawn by the Smith Hippen Grain Co of which Mr Unland is a stockholder on Friday the day prior to the closing of the bank On Friday the Smith Hippen company had a credit balance in the bank amounting to $11 800 A check was issued by the company for $9 860 for two notes given by a Pekin citizen aggregating $4 000 also Manito bank stock amounting to $3 000 and a $2 800 note given by the T & H Smith & Co wagon shops The trustees hold that the bank and Mr Unland made the Smith-Hippen Co a preferred creditor at a time when they knew the bank was about to close therefore have made up on Mr Unland a demand for the return of this money

It is said that a Pekin minister has accompanied Mr D C Smith ex president of the defunct bank to Minneapolis in the hope of securing aid from Mrs Walker wife of a millionaire resident of that city and the mother in law of Mr Ernest F Smith son of D C Smith Mrs Walker is said to be a devoted member of the Methodist church and it is expected the Pekin minister will prevail upon her to assist D C Smith

FINALLY ENDS LIFE

Man At Springfield Succeeds After Making Many Attempts

Springfield Ill After attempting to end his life on three former occasions Lawrence Kellog who came to this city about five weeks ago from Lincoln Neb procured a quantity of morphine Friday afternoon and returning to St John's hospital where he has been confined after attempting suicide a week ago at his home on Cleveland avenue and drank the contents of the vial dying almost instantly Shortly after midnight one of the sisters at the hospital was attracted to his bedside by groans and found him in a dying condition Everything possible was done to save his life but to no avail, death coming a short time after midnight.

MOORE ESTATE GETS $4,076.66

Interurban Pays Well For Right of Way Through Land.

WILL BE PHARMACISTS

DeWitt County Has Three Members of Chicago College Class.

Clinton April 23—The Traction company have settled with the Moore estate for the right of way through the Moore land for the interurban company which will be built through to Clinton to Bloomington There are two acres of the land taken for the right-of way the company figuring 1 92 acres The price given was $4 076 66 which has been paid

The Annual Commencement

Invitations have been received in Clinton for the commencement exercises of the Chicago College of Pharmacy to be held Thursday afternoon April 26 The class has a membership of 48 and among them are Wilbur Grimes and Ralph W Thorpe of our city and George Haffner of Farmer City

School Election.

The annual school election Saturday resulted in the following gentlemen being elected for the board of education President F B Mitchell 66 Fred Kent 361 members of the board S G Hull 709 F H Beatty 69 Thomas Ewing 409 Robert Edmiston 332

Local News Notes

The Chautauqua Circle were entertained at the home of Mrs A W Rundle Monday afternoon

Mrs Mary Ozee is visiting her little daughter in Mattoon

Miss Anna McPherson of Maywood Ill is visiting her parents during her spring vacation She is teaching music in the Maywood public school

Mrs H P Hargan is visiting friends in St Louis a few days

Dr D B Pelton spent Sunday with his son in Chicago

Mrs Ernest Cowgill and mother Mrs Casey went to St Louis Mrs Casey expects to remain a few weeks with her daughter

The local Redmen went to Kenney Friday and assisted organizing a Redmen lodge at that place

Tribe of Ben Hur No 243 of Decatur expects to come to Clinton next week and confer work for the Clinton order

George Armstrong who lives near Clinton has a young colt which was born with only two legs the hind legs which are all right and perfect The colt is perfectly healthy and of normal size

The Clinton orchestra are preparing to give a benefit concert for the San Francisco sufferers

The different churches of the city raised amounts for the Frisco sufferers Sunday morning The Presbyterian church gave $65 The Methodist church $56 45 and the Universalist congregation took $17 50 in contribution

The cottage of Arthur Speers on East Washington street caught fire on the roof and burned quite badly before the flames were extinguished

Mr and Mrs Zorger and daughter Miss Ella and Rev C F Varney of the Universalist church will attend the funeral of Mrs Spangler in Decatur Tuesday

George Lennon and wife of Pratt Kansas are visiting Mrs I N Bailor and Mrs Charles Swisher

Miss Carroll Magill was the guest of Miss Nellie Murray in Decatur Sunday

Mrs Frank Aikin and children of Decatur who have been visiting Mrs D D Watson returned home

A large number of ladies exercised their privilege and cast votes for their favorite candidate

MARRIAGE LICENSES

Albert Scholz Decatur	30
Ethel Sheets Decatur	18
James Alfred Hamrick Buffalo	27
Nellie Eliza Dowling Buffalo	18
William I McMillin Decatur	19
Filo Mills Decatur	19
Jacob R Welsel Decatur	Legal
Emma F Ryan Decatur	Legal
Louis S Pohl Decatur	[illegible]6
Bridget A Vennicker Decatur	21

TOUCHED FREEZING POINT

Temperature Monday Morning Was of Winter Variety.

So long as the temperature capers around the freezing point winter may be said to have not loosened his grip Saturday night there was a considerable drop in the temperature and Sunday night it went even lower The low point before daylight Monday was one degree below the freezing point There was a heavy white frost and in some places a thin scum of ice was noticed

The general belief was that only the most tender plants would suffer from the frost and that with the exception of the peach buds there was not great danger of any of the fruit having suffered injury

SAW ERUPTION

Mr and Mrs Charles Laux Witnessed Spouting of Vesuvius

Mr and Mrs Charles Laux who are traveling abroad have written to their sons in this city They state that they were at Naples during the worst eruption of Vesuvius and had the advantage of seeing it all They stopped at a hotel twelve miles from the volcano and the ashes fell there as thickly as snow ever does in this locality Some of the ashes Mr Laux inclosed in a letter

BRIDAL COUPLE HOME.

Mr. and Mrs George Allen Will Live At 531 West Main Street

George Allen and his bride have arrived home and will be at home to their friends after June 1 at 531 West Main street Mrs Allen was formerly Miss Clara Trautman and lived in Decatur up to a few years ago The wedding took place last Wednesday morning at 9 30 o'clock at the home of the bride's mother Mrs S Trautman [illegible]8 East Sixty second street Chicago

MARKETS

FINLEY BARRELL LETTER

By Tyler, Harney & Co, 112 East William St, Both 'Phones 352

Chicago April 23—WHEAT—May liquidation has been the chief factor in wheat as in other products today It has lessened the May premium over deferred months as many of the May longs have transformed to July and September This liquidation has also offset the effect of considerable bullish news There were unfavorable crop reports from Missouri considerable plowing up of thin wheat on uplands in central counties Heavy stocks northwest poor demand favorable growing conditions for winter wheat and for seeding of spring wheat continue to be the legitimate factors Cropping of insurance companies will tend to induce holders to run away from deliveries of cash property

CORN—The market was strong and higher early on the advanced prices at Liverpool the wheat strength and the light receipts It weakened later under pressure on May from the same cash house that was selling last week and on reports of increased sales at country stations by farmers throughout this state Iowa and Nebraska May longs of the smaller sort were changing their holdings to July and September Demand is poor except from local industries Liberal receipts will mean rapid accumulation of stocks We continue bearish on July and September

OATS—Pressure on September oats from the northwest has been a feature of the market There was also further selling both of May and September by local longs in May Buying has been scattered Liquidation of May was the feature Duluth oats are relatively cheaper than ours and supplying most of the demand Reduced acceptances of new crop is about only strong feature

PROVISIONS — Provisions have felt the effect of liquidation May and other months more generally than any other product on the floor The packers have been helping the liquidation by scattered commission houses but [illegible]e been buying the product on the declines The weakness began at the opening when the market was affected by a large run of hogs and a 10c decline there

RANGE OF OPTIONS

Chicago April 23—Following was the range of options on the board of trade today with Saturday's close

Open	High	Low	Close	Sat
WHEAT—May—				
79⅞-½	79⅞	78⅝ ½	78⅞	79½
July—				
78¼ ⅜	78⅜ ⅝	78⅛ ¼	78¼ ⅜	78 ⅜
Sept—				
76⅛-77	77⅛	76⅞	77⅛ ¼	76⅞ 7
CORN—May—				
47½-⅜	47½ ⅝	46⅞ 7	47 ⅛	47⅛
July—				
46 ⅛	46⅜	46	46⅛	45⅞
Sept—				
46¼ ⅜	46½	46⅛	46⅜	46⅛
OATS—May—				
32⅛	32¼ ⅜	31⅞ 32	32	32⅛
July—				
30⅝ ⅞	30⅞	30½	30⅝	30⅞
Sept—				
28⅞ 7	28⅞	28½	28⅝	28½ 7
PORK—May—				
15 92	15 92	15 62	15 65	16 02
LARD—May—				
8 52	8 52	8 42	8 45	8 52
RIBS—May—				
8 62	8 62	8 52	8 57	8 65

NEW YORK STOCKS.

From J L Keister, Broker, Room 7, Columbia Block

Decatur Ill April 23—Following was the range of prices of leading stocks on the New York Stock Exchange today with Saturday's close

	Open	High	Low	Close	Sat
Sugar	138	138½	135½	135⅞	139⅛
U S S	43⅜	43⅜	41⅞	41⅞	43⅛
U S Q	108⅝	109	107⅛	107⅛	108¼
A C P	110⅞	110⅞	107⅛	107⅛	110¼
B R T	84⅛	84½	80½	80½	84⅞
C F I	60½	61⅜	59	59⅜	61⅛
Gas	93¼	93⅜	92	92	93⅛
St Paul	172½	173	169	169	172⅞
Mo Pac	95	95	93	93	95
B & O	111	111	109⅝	109⅝	111½
Atch	90½	90⅞	88⅞	89	90⅛
Reading	128	128⅜	123½	124	128⅜
Erie	43	43	41⅞	41⅞	43⅛
So Pac	65¼	65⅞	64½	64⅞	65⅞
U Pac	152⅞	152⅞	149½	149⅞	152⅞
R I	26⅞	27	26	26½	27
L & N	147⅞	148	146⅜	145⅞	147½
So Ry	39⅛	39½	3[illegible]	37⅞	39⅜
Smelter	157	157½	154⅛	154⅛	157½
Mex Cent	23⅞	23⅞	23½	23½	24½

GRAIN AT ST LOUIS.

St Louis April 23—Wheat—May 80⅝c corn 45c oats 31⅝c to 32

MISCELLANEOUS.

Chicago April 23—Rye—Cash 63c to 64 flax $1 08 to $1 11 barley 48½c to 54c clover $11 50 timothy April $[illegible]

CHICAGO LIVE STOCK

Chicago April 23—Cattle—Receipts 25 000 market best steady others weak to 10c lower beeves $4 to $6 20 cows and heifers $1 75 to $5 [illegible] stockers and feeders $2 75 to $[illegible]

Hogs—Receipts 41 000 market weak to 10c lower mixed and butchers $6 10 to $6 37½ good heavy $6 30 to $6 60 rough $6 25 to $6 40 light $6 30 to $6 [illegible] bulk of sales $6 4[illegible] to $6 [illegible]

Sheep—Receipts 26 000 market steady $3 [illegible]5 to $6 [illegible]0 lambs $4 7[illegible] to $7 10

POULTRY AND DAIRY

Chicago April 23—Butter—Market steady creameries 14c to 20½c dairies 14c to 18

Eggs—Market firm 1[illegible]c to 1[illegible]½c

Poultry—Market steady turkeys [illegible] chickens springs 1[illegible]½c

New York April 23—Butter—Market firm creameries 14c to 21c held 14c to 19½c renovated 10c to 15c factory 1[illegible]c to 1[illegible]½c

Eggs—Market firm firsts, 19c seconds 17¼c to 17½c

Poultry—Dressed steady chickens 10c turkeys 16c fowls 10c

SHARP SLUMP IN MAY.

Wheat Opens Firm but Later Shows Some Weakness

Chicago April 23—The market opened firm on fair demand by commission houses and pit traders buying being chiefly due to the firmness of Liverpool market Later several leading commission houses began selling May and this started active profit taking by local traders At the same time there was considerable changing from May to July and September This caused a sharp slump in May and at the same time strengthened July and September A factor tending to weaken May was the lessened demand for cash wheat, at Kansas City and Minneapolis Reports of damage to fall sown wheat furnished the principal reason for the demand for distant months The close was irregular May off half July closed 78¼c to 78⅜c No 2 red 88c to 89c No 3 red 86c to 88 No 2 hard 79c to 85c No 3 hard 7[illegible]c to [illegible]c May opened 79⅝c to 80⅛c highest 80⅜c lowest 78⅝c to 78¾c closing 78¾c

Corn—Increased acceptances from the country induced profit taking and resulted in weakness in May with other options firm Higher prices at Liverpool and a decrease in the world's shipments and in the amount on passage were bullish influences The close was irregular May off ⅛c other months firm No 2 48c to 48¼c No 3 47½c to 48c No 2 white 49½c No 3 white 49c No 2 yellow 48¾ to 49c No 3 yellow 48c to 49c May opened 47¼c to 47⅜c highest 47½c to 47⅝c lowest 46¾c to 46⅞ closing 47c to 47⅛c

Oats—The trade market was similar to that of wheat and corn The likelihood of an increase in local receipts caused free selling May resulted in moderate weakness of that delivery Other options were steady May closed down ⅛c No 2 31⅝c No 3 31¼c No 2 white 34c No 3 white [illegible] to 3[illegible]c May opened 3[illegible]⅛c highest 32¼c to 32⅛ lowest [illegible]⅛c to 32c closing 32c

GOOD CATTLE STEADY.

But Other Kinds Are Five to Ten Cents Lower

Chicago April 23—Cattle—The better class of cattle brought steady prices while other descriptions were weak and largely 5 to 10c lower The demand was slow Butcher stock was fairly active at easier prices

Hogs The market was fairly active from the start but prices were off 10c on an average with sales at $6 25 to $6 65 the great part selling at $6 50 to $6 60

Sheep—The general demand was lively and prices strong for desirable lots with choicer sheep and lambs selling at 5c to 10c higher

GRAIN AT LIVERPOOL

Liverpool April 23—Wheat—Spot nominal

Corn—Spot firm American mixed new 4s 3½d old 4s 6½d

ST LOUIS LIVE STOCK

St Louis April 23—Cattle Receipts 2 000 market steady beef steers $3 25 to $6 stockers and feeders $2 10 to $4 75 cows and heifers $2 10 to $4 75 Texas steers $3 to $4

Hogs—Receipts 5 000 market 5c lower prices ranged $6 50 to $6 6[illegible]

WHEAT AT MINNEAPOLIS.

Minneapolis April 23 Wheat—May 80c July 78⅝c to 78¾c cash No 1 hard 78¾c No 1 northern 7[illegible]¾c No 2 northern [illegible]⅝c

NEW YORK GRAIN

New York April 23—Wheat—Receipts 53 000 spot easy No 2 red nominal at elevator No 2 red 89¾c f o b afloat Options closed net decline ¼c to net rise of ⅛c May 86¼c

Corn—Receipts 39 000 exports 131,000 spot easy No 2 5[illegible]c nominal at elevator and 54½c nominal f o b and afloat No 2 yellow and No 2 white nominal Options closed easy at net decline of ⅛c to net rise of ⅛c May 53¾c

Oats—Receipts 1 0 000 exports 88 000 spot steady mixed 37c to 37½c white 37½c to 38½c clipped white 39c to 41c

COFFEE

New York April 23—Coffee Options closed steady unchanged to five points lower Sales 79 250 bags May $6 60 to $6 65 spot rio steady mild steady

SUGAR.

New York April 23—Sugar—Raw fair refining 2 21 32 to 1 16 centrifugal 96 test 3 13 3 to 7 16 molasses sugar 2 21 32 to 11 16 refined quiet

MONEY

New York April 23—Money on call firm early in the day later easier at 3½ to 4 closing bid 3½ time firm sixty days 4¼ to ½ per cent ninety days 4¼ to 4¾ six months 4 to 4¾ per cent prime paper 4¾ to 5½ per cent exchange unsettled at $484 25 to $484 30 sixty days $481 40 to $481 45

Bar silver 65 ¾c

Decatur Markets.

POULTRY MARKET

Hens	8½c
Old Cocks	6c
Spring chickens	8½c
Stags	7c
Cobblers	12c
Old Toms	11c
Hen turkeys	14c
F F geese	7c
F F ducks	8½c
Bran	$1 05
Live pigeons doz	60c
Fresh eggs	12½c
Choice butter	17c
No 1 hides	[illegible]
Horse hides large	$2 75
Horse hides small	$2 [illegible]
sheep pelts	40c to $1

LOCAL GRAIN MARKET

Wheat	8[illegible]c
White corn round lots 37c single loads	36c
Yellow corn round lots 37 single loads	36c
Mixed oats	28c
White oats	2[illegible]c
Rye	60c

FEED PRICES PAID TO FARMERS

Timothy hay per ton	$12
Oats	30c
Clover hay	$11 to $12
Oat straw	$4 50 to $5 00

RETAIL PRICES

Timothy hay per cwt	70c to 75c
[illegible] per cwt	70c to 75c
Straw	25c
Oats per bushel	44c
cracked corn per cwt	$1 10
Corn and oat chops etc cwt	$1 15
Wheat for feed bushel	$1 00
Shorts cwt	$1 20

BUTCHER STOCK

Hogs	$5 75 to $6 15
Butcher steers	$4 00 to $4 50
Shipping Steers	$4 50 to $5 00
Sheep	$3 50 to $4 00
Cows	$2 50 to $3 50

DEEDS RECORDED.

Lafayette Gulick to Edwin S Kolp lot 12 in block 10 of Gulick's subdivision of block 5 of Gulick's addition to Decatur $2[illegible]5

Joseph Vest to William G Cranston lot 1[illegible] in block 3 of H A Wood's West Park addition to Decatur $3 000

Susan W Stevens to Gertrude F Armstrong, lot 9 in John Allen and others addition to Decatur $1 200

George A Stouffer to Mabel G Stouffer lot 10 in J K Warren & Co's addition to Decatur, $1

Jesse Humphries to Jennie Richey lot 12 in block 3 of Montgomery & Shull's first addition to Decatur, $1,300.

Jesse Humphries to R C Whittle lot 6 excepting five feet off the north side in L Bellamy's subdivision of the southeast quarter of the northeast quarter of 10 16 2 east $2 100

NEW CARS OF TRACTION CO.

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Three of the new cars which will be used on limited runs by the Illinois Traction system have been completed by the St Louis Car company and are now ready for delivery The cars will probably be taken to the shops at Riverton where they will be put into shape for regular operation over the lines of the company on limited schedules

The limited trains which will be run between St Louis Springfield Bloomington Peoria Decatur and Danville will operate on a regular schedule of forty miles an hour

The three new cars are named Missouri Illinois and Indiana The exterior has a dress of olive green displaying the title of the company and the name of the car in letters of gold The frames of the wide windows are painted wine red A description of the interior of the new car is interesting

New Compartments Added

On the left side of the car at the front is a very small compartment for the motorman Next to this compartment is a large compartment for baggage the baggage compartment being furnished with a slide door for handling baggage and parcels The baggage compartment is so arranged with adjustable seats and chairs that it can be used for passengers and as the front part of the car is chiefly windows a good view of the country can be had

Next to the baggage compartment is a much larger compartment which will be used as a smoking room This room is fitted out with chairs and tables and it can be fixed up at any time for dining Next to the smoking and dining room is a small buffet with cooking utensils and receptacles for supplies

The main section for passengers is next It is furnished with fourteen upholstered seats and one settee Adjoining the passenger section in the rear is the toilet room The end of the car is an observation compartment At every seat is a fixture for setting up a table

The accommodations of various compartments are twelve in the baggage compartment fourteen in the smoking room thirty in the main passenger section and eight in the observation compartment

The car is lighted and heated by electricity In the main passenger section are three arc lamps with fancy globes and in each of the other compartments is one arc light with a fancy globe There is an incandescent lamp beside each seat and there are other facilities as are generally provided in electric cars The conductor and motorman can communicate by means of a speaking tube

Will Have Limited Schedule

These cars will be run in the limited service between St Louis Springfield, Bloomington Peoria Decatur Champaign Danville and other cities on the line They are nearly ready to be put in commission

In addition to these cars will be operated in trains between St Louis and every county seat in central and central eastern Illinois The trains will be made up in St Louis in the evening and the cars will reach their destination before noon the following day Arrangements to take orders for merchandise at any time in the day and telephone orders to factories and stores in St Louis so that the merchandise can be sent out at night and be delivered the next day

Farmers Column

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NONE TOO SMALL

STATE OF ILLINOIS MACON COUNTY SS IN the Circuit Court to the May Term A D, 1906

Mathias C Greenfield Lydia Greenfield A W Greenfield Elsie Greenfield Charles N Greenfield Alice Greenfield and Anna Hawkins vs Grover Greenfield Maggie Greenfield May Greenfield Arch Martin, Willis Martin Dora Snyder Eugene Snyder John S Gustin and Joyce Gustin In Chancery No 17 595

Notice is hereby given to the said Grover Greenfield Maggie Greenfield May Greenfield, Archie Martin Willis Martin Dora Snyder Eugene Snyder and John S Gustin that the above named complainants heretofore filed their bill for partition in said court on the chancery side thereof and that a summons thereupon issued out of said court against the above named defendants, returnable to the January Term 1906 of the circuit court of Macon county to be held at the court house in Decatur in said Macon county on the 2nd Monday in January A D, 1906, as is by law required at which term said cause was continued for service to the May Term of said court to be held at said court house on the second Monday in May, 1906 and which cause is now pending Now, unless you shall appear and plead answer or demur to said bill as required by law and the rules of said court the matters therein alleged will be taken as confessed by you and decree entered accordingly

JOHN ALLEN Clerk

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LOOKS LIKE AN AGREEMENT.

The chances for the enactment of a primary election law by the special session of the legislature grows brighter daily. The senate which has all along been regarded as dangerous ground for such a bill has practically agreed by resolution upon what it will accept in a bill. What this body has agreed to is that county legislative and congressional candidates shall be voted for at the primaries and that those who receive a plurality of the votes cast providing that plurality amounts to 35 per cent of the vote shall be declared the nominee of the party; that any candidate for congress or the legislature shall receive the votes of the delegates to those respective conventions from the counties where they received a plurality of the votes; that candidates for United States senator should be voted on at the primaries for the purpose of ascertaining the sentiment of the voters of the respective parties; that the ballot containing the names of these candidates shall be an official ballot, furnished by the proper officer at public expense; that the polling places shall be the regular polling places for the general election; that the judges and clerks of the general election shall be the judges and clerks of the primary elections; that the delegates to the county and other conventions shall be elected at the primaries.

This agreement leaves out the candidates for governor and other state officers and if they are not included it is difficult to understand why United States senatorial candidates should be included. But the people want a primary election law and it is useless to discuss such inconsistencies now.

This agreement is in the main satisfactory. In other words it is better for the people to have a primary law with the 35 per cent restriction on the plurality than no law at all. As the Herald has all along held there can be no primary law enacted without a compromise to meet the difference between the majority plan of nominations and the plurality plan. The only means for compromising this difference is to incorporate the percentage plan for limiting the plurality. It may be that the per cent may be reduced below 35 per cent. Every reduction will be in favor of those who prefer the pure unadulterated plurality plan. But as before stated it would be better to accept the thirty-five per cent restriction than to have no law. In a county like Macon no harm can come from the thirty-five per cent restriction because the delegates to the county convention will be elected without reference to the candidates for county office and the natural and logical thing for them to do in convention would be to nominate the candidate who had received the most votes even though his vote fell below 35 per cent. This is what the voters would expect the convention to do and if by any assumption of power, or by trickery, it failed to do this it would not be healthy for the candidate who got the benefit of these irregularities when it came to the polls in November. There would have to be some apparent reason for nominating a lower man before it would be safe to nominate him against the expressed wish of the voters. This being true the 35 per cent restriction would cut little figure in Macon county or in any other county where conventions proposed to do the fair thing.

The delegate district feature will no doubt be in the bill. This provides for the formation of delegate districts by organizing several voting districts into delegate districts for the purpose of electing delegates to the state, congressional and senatorial districts.

HUMANITY YET REIGNS.

The muck rake writers would have us believe that there is little honesty and less humanity in our country today. If there was anything needed to disprove the charges and insinuations of these assassins we have it in the lesson now being presented by the American people, in connection with the calamity which has befallen San Francisco by earthquake and fire and which has rendered four-fifths of a prosperous city dependent in a few hours. First the conduct of the people of San Francisco themselves is in point. After the earthquake all selfishness was cast aside and every uninjured citizen came to the front to render assistance to the unfortunate. Personal services and money were poured out as freely as water. Then fire took possession of the city and eat its relentless way from street to street. The time came when there was left but one hope—the destruction of private homes both ordinary and the palace. The owners, with one accord, to save others, consented, freely, yes enthusiastically, without considering the effect on their insurance policies, that their homes should be demolished by themselves to stop the relentless march of the conflagration. The sacrifice was worthy the best American manhood and though the salvation sought was not accomplished the sacrifice was as creditable as if it had accomplished the end intended.

The people of San Francisco had exhausted every effort to save themselves and stood helpless and appalled. It was then that the souls and the consciences of the American nation were put to the test. It was up to the American people to answer. Am I or am I not my brother's keeper? It would have been easy to answer. I am not my brother's keeper. What claim have the people of San Francisco upon my sympathy and my substance? They might have argued themselves out of it and proved the assumption of the literary excrescences who are writing down the American people as a sordid unfeeling lot. But the American people did not reason thus. They trampled over the slimy collections of the muck raker and shouted in the act, 'I am my brother's keeper and if he is helpless and destitute give me the opportunity to help him." The congress of the United States and the president, forgetting all else but the needy, sent a million dollars as the nation's contribution for relief. The people of Chicago said here is another million. The people of New York went down in their pockets for a million more. The people of other cities all over the country, including Decatur, came to the rescue, promising help. Even John D. Rockefeller, whose heart has been represented as so shriveled and contracted as to be invisible without a magnifying glass stretched his only hand from New York to his agent in San Francisco and dropped $100,000 in his lap to be used at once to relieve distress. Thousands of other advertised heartless wretches in our land have done likewise until the scriptural saying "The kingdom of Heaven suffereth violence, the violent take it by force," may be justly paraphrased by declaring that the destitute people of San Francisco suffer violence; the generous and good people of this country shower their assistance by force.

It makes a good patriotic American swell with pride to see these manifestations of a universal good conscience in his country among the people under the flag he reveres. God bless the American people. They are right. They are right because they are the greatest and most benevolent people on God's footstool. Long live the "land of the free and the home of the brave," where there is no cast but patriotism and progress.

The greatest curse of the nation today are the false Christs who set themselves up as judges of the true character of our people and pretend to advise us in yellow journals and mercenary magazines and sensational pulpits in the name of righteousness that the destruction of the nation is not half a mile off. This is God's nation based upon the consciences of its people and not of kings and rulers. This nation does not get its inspiration through the vaporings of the Pharisee or the scribe. It is written in the Revelations of St. John "Behold I give you a white stone and in it a new name written which no man knoweth save him that receiveth it." And again it is written. "The Lord seeth not as man seeth; for man looketh upon the outward appearance but the Lord looketh on the heart."

The individual knows his own character and it is not given to any man to say whether it is good or bad. Man is a poor judge of the character of men. He looks on the acts and outer appearance but has no power to look into the heart. In the light of the splendid manifestation of the American people in the hour of the need our fellow men, one is inclined to the opinion that the best reform that could be promoted at this time would be a movement to silence the false Christs and Pharisees who impudently assume to sit in judgment over their fellow men.

POLITICAL AND GENERAL.

St. Louis Globe-Democrat: Speaker Cannon will be 70 years of age on May 7, and the members of his chamber are going to get up a demonstration which will tell him about the anniversary. Nobody ever associated "Uncle Joe's" personality with old age, and they are not likely to do so in the near future. Not many brisker men for his years are extant in the United States than Joseph G. Cannon. For the greater part of these seven decades he has been a hard worker, and his state and his country have profited very much by this work.

When Mr. Cannon entered the house of representatives back in 1873 Grant was starting on his second term, the country had about 40,000,000 inhabitants and its wealth was about $30,000,000,000. Population has more than doubled and wealth much more than tripled in the interval. Very few of the men who were in either branch of congress at the time that Mr. Cannon entered it are there now. Reconstruction of the southern states had only just been completed in its preliminary phase when he was first elected to the house of representatives. Hayes' election, his withdrawal of the troops from the south and the overturn of the last still in the distance.

A good deal of very important history has been made in the third of a century in which Mr. Cannon has been in public life on the national stage and he has helped to make it. The tariff has been changed many times in those years. Greenbackism and silverism rose and fell. All the man who were big enough to be presidential possibilities in that time are dead, for Senator Allison, who has been in congress so long that the oldest inhabitant does not recollect the date of his entrance, had not yet been mentioned for the candidacy. Grant, Blaine, Conkling, Hayes, Oliver P. Morton, Sherman, Tilden, Hendricks, Bayard, Hancock, Thurman, and the rest of the leading spirits on both sides in the politics of those days have passed off the stage. A new world has made its advent since Joseph G. Cannon first entered congress and he has preserved his youthfulness with it, and is being mentioned prominently in connection with the presidential candidacy for 1908.

THE VISITING CITY NURSE.

Los Angeles has a claim to distinction that is not often enough pointed out. That was the first city in the United States to take up municipal nursing. In 1898 Los Angeles employed a nurse who lived in he settlement and visited the sick poor. She also included some of the public schools in her work. In New York City today there are fifty women on the municipal nurses' staff. They visit all the schools of Greater New York, attend to the children's eyes and do necessary surgical dressings. The nurses also visit the homes when the children have been excluded from the schools for any cause. The first American organization to send trained nurses into the homes of the sick poor was the woman's branch of the New York City Mission. There are now in the United States 220 associations for visiting nurses and 537 nurses going about among the poor.

This practice ought to appeal to the good sense of the people of any city. The benefit to general health that is possible under this system is inestimable. With the push and energy of Decatur, along so many lines, there is no good reason why this matter should not be taken up and established in practice in our city. Those who are interested in the health, comfort and contentment of the human family should take the matter under serious consideration.

PLURALITY WINS.

Apparently the state senate is in favor of the plurality plan for making nominations at the primaries. At least a resolution declaring it to be the sense of that body that the primary election law should contain that provision was passed by the senate by a close vote with nine senators absent. The names of the senators voting for and against the resolution have been published. Among those voting for it is Senator Henson. The people of the district will appreciate his course because they are practically solid in their desire to make their own nominations at the primaries upon a plurality vote. This is an average community and it is only fair to assume that, at least outside of Cook county, all the people favor the plurality plan. This being true it is hard to understand how some of the senators from the country voted against the resolution. There can be but one explanation, namely, that they are against that which their constituents want. This vote, while not final, does, in a sense, commit the senate to the plurality principle of making nominations. The house being all right on that question the chances are at this time that the new law will contain that provision.

ARE BOTH CORRECT?

The Illinois State Journal in a leading editorial tries to give ex-Governor Yates the entire credit for the effort now going on in the state to secure a primary election law. It argues that the ex-governor while in office fought hard and continually for such a law and on every possible occasion referred to it in his public messages and speeches. On the other hand, Senator Humphrey of Cook county in a speech in the senate on Wednesday charged that it was the course pursued by ex-Governor Yates while he was governor in building up an organization of state employes, the creation of a slush fund and the style of campaign made by him for the renomination for governor that caused the people to demand a primary election law which would give them some show at making their own nominations. It thus appears that in either case Yates is at the bottom of the demand for the primary election law but these authorities differ widely as to the reason why Yates should be given credit.

The case of Gaynor and Green, the two men who were detected in a plot to rob the government of $2,000,000, which has been pending so long in an extreme example of tardy justice. The fellow who steals a bushel of coal, an axe, a claw hammer or a bicycle or a few dollars in cash is hustled through the mills of justice on the jump, and we sometimes wonder at and often become disgusted with this apparent discrimination in the application of justice. The trouble is not so much in the law, as may at first appear. If the fellow who steals a claw hammer had a million to help him get out of the country and fight his case without stint a claw hammer case might be spun out as long as the Gaynor and Green case has been. There is one redeeming feature in the case in point—money did not save the scoundrels.

Senator Tillman of South Carolina has gained a reputation as a race horse tipster and his 'one best bet" went through yesterday at Benning. The senator is unconscious of having picked the winner of the third race, but he did. "I am tired of all this hocus-pocus," the senator declared in a speech yesterday. "What we want is action. This hocus-pocus has gone on long enough." "Hocus-Pocus, that's the tip!" agreed the wise ones around the senate. A pool was made up among the pages and employes and a good sized bet was sent to Benning and played on Hocus Pocus. Hocus Pocus won at odds of 6 to 1.

Of the 1,000,000 immigrants who came into this country in 1905, 317,000 stopped in New York, the state; 222,300 lodged in Pennsylvania; 79,000 got as far as Illinois, and only 20,000 went beyond this state. The immigrants we get now do not seek the land as they did a generation ago. They hang about large cities and factory towns and get into coal mines. It is not an encouraging situation.

MUCK RAKE REFORM.

Recently an eastern paper wrote up an incident in a "council meeting," in a muck rake magazine office, either real or imaginary, no matter which, in which the council addressed itself to the matter of selecting some fresh iniquity to expose, after the fashion so prevalent for the past two or three years—making general charges without proof. The story goes that after a long consultation, going over a wide field without deciding upon anything that was promising, one of the members of the council was seized of a happy thought. In view of the failure to find anything that promised good magazine material for the muck rake, this man suggested that it might be well to attempt something in the other direction—to give the public wholesome food instead of slop.

Whether this story is true or not it is true nevertheless that one of the popular magazines has announced for the June number an article by a well known newspaper man, entitled "All is not Damned." This article is described as a "strong impartial tale of the constructive side of American business life for the information of demagogues and bewildered writers." The article, it is said, will picture "the rise of the Pennsylvania railroad system from the confusion and corruption of government ownership and operation, the destruction of the secret rate system under President Cassett's leadership and his successful stand against official blackmail in New York City." It is certainly very remarkable that a popular magazine has conclude to tell its readers that there is some decency and honesty in American business after all.

Continuing, the rise of the sensational magazine is thus outlined, and the admission is made that it is time to call a halt:

> It is only a few years since one of the monthly magazines, then heavily in debt, discovered what a paying thing it was to enter into the radical sensational work hitherto monopolized by the newspapers, and to join in the passionate, almost unreasoning accusatory movement whipped up by journalism.
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> The magazine editor who first found out that extreme radicalism and pelting, unvaried abuse was a profitable thing, made a great fortune and a commanding position for himself. One magazine owner after another joined in the outcry against the successful American business man and the successful American busines corporation; denouncing many evils, no doubt, but wickedly and wilfully maintaining a curious conspiracy of silence regarding the other side of the question—so that today we find a large part of the newspaper press and the magazines allied in a fierce and indiscriminate warfare upon the American name and against the stability of social and business life which is necessary to continued prosperity and happiness.
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> God knows I have done my share in attacking and exposing evils in this country. I take back no word I have ever written against individual or corporate greed or dishonesty. But I believe the time has come when something should be said for the constructive forces that are making the people increasingly great among the nations of the world.

This can fairly be taken as the first step in the evolution from the muck rake to patriotism and decency.

PROGRESSIVE TAX ON FORTUNES

Dubuque Times: In his speech at Washington last Saturday President Roosevelt suggested, as a means of curbing the concentration of wealth, beyond a certain amount, either given in life or devised or bequeathed upon death to any individual, a tax so framed as to put it out of the power of the owner of one of these enormous fortunes to hand on more than a certain amount to any one individual."

This is not so radical as might seem at first blush. Our government during the Spanish-American war levied a progressive tax on legacies, the rate running from 75 cents to $15 on each $100 according to the amount of the legacy and the relation of the beneficiary to the testator. The highest rate was levied on legacies in excess of $1,000,000 to a person without a certain degree of consanguinity, or a stranger in blood, or a body politic, or corporation. Under this law the government between June 13, 1898, and April 30, 1900, collecter $3,405,361.69 in taxes on legacies.

The president's proposition is in principle similar to this former law, except that he would tax gifts in excess of some certain amount, even when the title passed before the death of the benefactor. The difference between this proposition and the inheritance tax with which we are familiar is in degree and not in kind. It is the principle of the progressive income tax limited to legacies and other gifts above some certain large amount.

How long would it stay limited? This is the question that rises in the mind of the man who has accumulated a modest fortune. A progressive tax upon large fortunes might be satisfactory to him if he could be assured that his less fortunate neighbors might not some day come to look upon his little accumulation as one which should not escape the special attention of the government. And would not the public in time come to regard the progressive income tax as the complement of the law the president has proposed? Our "solid interests" will fear that the president has "started something" perhaps a revival of the populistic demand for a progressive income tax, which is pernicious on its face.

THE INCOME TAX.

As legal propositions the income tax proposed by the Wilson bill and declared unconstitutional by the supreme court, and the inheritance tax proposed by President Roosevelt, are quite different. The supreme court once sustained the constitutionality of an income tax and perhaps it would do so again if the government really needed the money to carry on a war or for some other purpose. This necessity is not in sight. The wealth of the country, which has vastly increased since the Civil war, can be taxed in many ways whose constitutionality has been affirmed by an unbroken line of decisions.

An income tax, except when levied is a spirit of malice towards the owners of great fortunes, is the last resort of a nation, because, though the most equitable and perfect in theory, it is the most inequitable and imperfect in operation. Until honesty becomes the rule among men a law of taxation the equitable operation of which depends on the voluntary admissions of the taxpayer will not work well.

European governments have income tax laws from necessity and not from choice. Customs, occupations, general property and excise taxes which yield us all the revenue we want do not suffice for their needs.

The income tax provided in the Wilson bill was so pernicious in many particulars that it fell into fragments before the courts. It was a tax on genius and thus became a clog to progress, because it taxed the incomes of those who were conducting the manufactories of the country, and those drawing salaries who make things go, while it permitted the "tight wad" fellow who contributed nothing to progress and labor, but got into his shell by investing his money in bonds and performed no labor except to clip coupons, to go scott free. All such laws originate with dissemblers and demagogues and ought to be kicked into kindling wood the moment they reach a court of justice.

CULLOM FAIR TO LABOR.

The following reference to Senator Cullom's course in the United States senate on legislation in which labor organizations are interested was published in this week's issue of the Illinois Tradesman. It was originally sent to the Chicago Chronicle by its Washington correspondent:

A friend of Senator Cullom attached to one of the executive departments who is intensely devoted to his interests recently made a research of the congressional record for the purpose of ascertaining the title and character of measures of legislation with which the senator has been intimately identified during his long service in Washington.

The purpose of the research was originally gratification of personal curiosity, but after the investigator had made a compilation of his findings he deemed it desirable to make a distinct showing on the senator's attitude towards legislation affecting the interests of labor. The record shows that Senator Cullom has consistently supported every desirable measure relating to labor since he entered the senate twenty-three years ago.

Some of the bills supported by the senate were:

Voted for H. R. 2550, to prohibit importation of foreign contract labor.

Voted for S. 3304, to prohibit coming of Chinese laborers.

Introduced S. 2144, to enforce eight-the use of safety appliances for railroad cars.

Introduced S. 893, providing for automatic car couplers and greater safety for railway employes.

Introduced S. 1618, to promote the safety of employes, etc., by compelling common carriers to equip their cars with automatic couplers.

Introduced S. 2144, to enforce eight-hour law on government work.

Senator Cullom has never been accused of playing to the galleries, but his record will bear investigation wherever the interests of the people are involved.

FALSE PROPHETS.

Whenever a frightful calamity occurs, various kinds of fakirs, who make a living by imposing on the frailty of the human race, come forward with stories of how they predicted that just such a catastrophe would happen.

They even go further and forecast fearful events which are to immediately follow. In so doing they excite more or less fear among the credulous and cause many a person of more than average courage and strength of character a bit of uneasiness. Of course, everybody knows that not a one of the alleged prophets has a basis for alarming predictions. Disasters and catastrophies will occur until the end of time and no man can foretell the day or the hour when some great calamity will visit a certain locality. By the aid of science we are aware that various portions of the world are more susceptible to phenomena of one kind or another, but we do not know when any visitation may come.

The very fact that man is never warned of any impending crisis is proof sufficient of the smallness of humanity. It portrays clearly that the affairs of every day life, the things which are done by human hands, are exceedingly insignificant and that we are as the sands of the sea in comparison with Him who sees and rules all things.

A good many "I told you so's" are now smiling over the fact that the city council lost $6,000 annually for the people by refusing the advance of $100 offered by the saloon people. Of course the city has lost it, but it was not the fault of the council necessarily. The bluff would have worked had the high license people voted. While the joke may be on the council, the responsibility is on the fellow who did not vote.

Ex-Senator William E. Chandler of New Hampshire, who is now at the head of the Spanish treaty claims commission, misses the opportunity he had in the senate of discussing public questions and writes frequently to the newspapers on important topics. "What are you doing now, Chandler?" an old friend asked him the other day. "Oh," Chandler replied, "I am a publicist." "A publicist? What is a publicist?" Chandler grinned. "A publicist," he said, "is a man who attends to everybody's business but his own."

The son of the "Prophet" Dowie hints at something awful which happened in 1877. He may be right, but according to Bryan the crime was committed in '73.

What wouldn't a yellow journal do if it had the same power to shake up all the people that President Roosevelt has.

DAVIDSON GOES TO BLOOMINGTON

Interurban Man Gets a Good Promotion With McKinley People.

WORK ON SOUTH END

Will Be Looked After For Time by M. L. Harry.

H. E. Davidson, formerly superintendent on the interurban and stationed at Decatur, has been promoted. He goes to Bloomington to take charge of the local street railway of that place.

The new position is quite a rise in the employ of the McKinley syndicate and Mr. Davidson has many friends in the city who will be glad to know that he is to get a better place.

Work on Lower End.

M. L. Harry for several weeks busy looking after the work on the south end of the interurban near St. Louis will spend a good deal of his time there during the next few weeks. There is a good deal of work on hand on that end of the interurban and Mr. Harry will look after it for a time with his headquarters still in Decatur.

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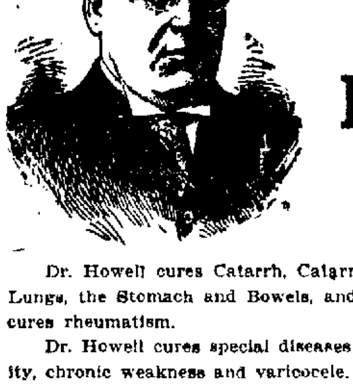

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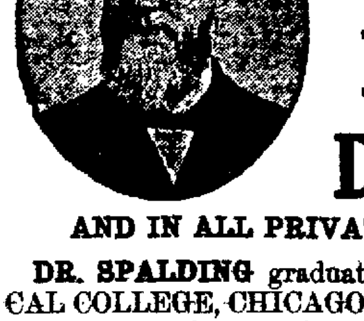

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MANY PASSENGERS IN WRECK AT RIVERTON

Four are Injured When Cars Overturned ---Wabash Train No. 3 Went Into Switch Broken by a Bundle of Papers

One Woman In Sleeping Berth Did Not Awaken Until Aroused by Trainmen—Injured Were all Cared For

Riverton, Ill., April 22—While moving over the tracks at the rate of thirty-five miles an hour Wabash train No. 3 which left Decatur at 4:45 a. m., and carrying many passengers, was wrecked, injuring four persons. The injured:

E. L. Brya, Tolono, back severely wrenched and bruised body.

H. Hern, 141 Madison street, Patterson, N. J., back and [illegible] injured.

J. L. Hade, express messenger, right wrist sprained and hand smashed.

Mrs. George Haskett, 7300 Howard street, Chicago, severely bruised.

None were seriously hurt but many others had slight bruises and scratches.

SLEPT THROUGH WRECK.

Mrs. Martha Farad of Oswego, N. Y., was a passenger in the sleeper of the wrecked train. She slept peacefully while the car turned and was still asleep when a trainman awakened her, told her that the train was wrecked and pulled her through a window of the car.

Mrs. Farad finally became thoroughly awake and when she found what had happened she went into hysterics.

The wreck occurred in a peculiar manner. It was caused by a bundle of papers which was thrown off the [illegible] next to the engine. The bundle struck the switch stand and broke a casting, and this broken piece of metal [illegible] broke the switch in such a manner that it was turned. This was all done in an instant. The locomotive and [illegible] went through the switch all right but the baggage car, chair car, smoker and sleeper dashed into the switch and smashed up against [illegible] freight cars. These cars were standing on what is known as "Whiskey Switch" which has been called that because there was formerly a distillery located at the end of it.

[illegible] of the cars was a big piece of machinery for the interurban power [illegible]. When the passenger cars smashed against this they were badly [illegible]. All of the cars were damaged.

Four Turned Over.

[illegible] of the cars turned over and the passengers were given a bad fright. They were most all asleep and were [illegible] awakened to find themselves [illegible] among the upturned [illegible] helpless manner.

Assistance was given as soon as possible and everyone was rescued without [illegible] damage. The four mentioned as injured were taken at once to the office of Dr. John Deal of Riverton [illegible] given surgical attention. [illegible] able to go on their way.

The switch where the wrecked occurred is about 200 feet west of the station. Soon the whole town knew what had happened and there was great excitement. The people turned out and gave what assistance they could.

Wrack Train Called.

The wreck train was called from Decatur and it took the crew until nearly 8 p. m. to clear away the wreckage so that trains could pass. The wreck was an expensive one for the railroad company as the cars were badly damaged.

The strangest feature of the accident was that of Mrs. Martha Faran, of Oswego, N. Y., who slept in her berth peacefully even after the sleeper had been turned over and did not know what had happened until she was dragged out of a window. Then she went into hysterics and it was necessary for a physician to attend her.

CYCLONE AT CONEY ISLAND

New York, April 22—Tonight four lives were lost in a cyclone which swept away a stable and a row of three story frame flat houses in the West Second street district, Coney Island, and thirty families are homeless. The dead: Dennis McGrath, Peter McGrath, John Brown, James Girvin.

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DIES WITHOUT KNOWING

Fire Chief Hurt And Did Not Know There Was a Fire.

San Francisco, April 22.—Chief D. J. Sullivan of San Francisco, fire department, died today of injuries received in the earthquake. The chief and his wife were sleeping in the fire house adjoining the California hotel in Bush street. The earthquake threw the chimney of the hotel crashing through the fire house. Sullivan and his wife were carried with the debris two stories to the ground floor.

Mr. and Mrs. Sullivan were taken to the Southern Pacific hospital, but when the flames reached the mission they were moved to the hospital at Presidio.

Sullivan suffered a fracture of the skull, four broken ribs and other injuries. He never knew there was a fire, although after recovering consciousness the chief talked much of the need of a salt water fire plant. Mrs. Sullivan will recover.

TELLS HOW TO SEND MONEY

Directions Are Given to Banks and Bankers.

Oakland, Cal., April 22.—Banks and bankers throughout the United States wishing to make telegraphic transfers to Oakland should place funds with correspondents of Oakland banks in New York and have them wire Oakland of the fact, instead of remitting drafts.

CLIFF HOUSE IS ALL RIGHT

Big Bath Houses Escape With Only Broken Windows

San Francisco, April 22.—A thorough inspection made by a representative of the Associated Press who made the trip in an automobile shows that little damage was done in the vicinity of Sutro Heights. The Cliff House stands undamaged. The Sutro baths, near Cliff House, with hundreds of thousands of square feet of glass roofing, are almost unharmed. Only a few windows in the Sutro baths and the Cliff House were broken and the lofty chimney of the pumping plant was cracked slightly.

The entire district west of Golden Gate park and along the beach from Golden Gate southward suffered less from the earthquake than probably any other section of the San Francisco peninsula.

BRINGS PEOPLE NEAR TOGETHER

Dr. Gammon Says That Is The Effect of Fire And Earthquake.

ALL AID EACH OTHER

And Men Are Put On An Equal Plain.

That such a disaster as that at San Francisco binds people more closely together was the view taken by Dr. Gammon who preached a strong sermon at the Congregational church.

He said:

"In the face of such disasters many question God's providence and much false theology and reasoning are heard.

"The question is asked over again, 'Who did sin that these things are so?' And the answer again can be given, 'Neither but that God may be glorified.' 'The rain falls alike upon just and unjust.' The business of life is to make character and in the providence of God this comes about largely by way of suffering.

"These things bring humanity near together and to God. Barriers are broken down and love pours out its treasure in gifts of money and sympathy. Thus the whole world is bound together at the feet of the Father whose heart is tender towards all who suffer."

IS WELL ATTENDED.

There Are 321 at the Baptist Bible Class Meeting.

The regular services were held at the **First Baptist church, the pastor preaching both morning and evening.** The Bible school had a good session with on attendance of 321 and 225 bibles. In the morning the text was "But other seed fell into good ground and brought forth fruit, some one hundred fold, some sixty fold, some thirty fold."

In the evening Mr. Bowyer spoke on "Lessons from the destruction of a great American City." Mrs. Beers of the Third Baptist church of St. Louis, sang at the evening service. The chorus gave the usual anthems. Mrs. Hatfield of Owensboro, Ky., united with the church by experience.

CONDITIONS OF HEALTH GOOD

Disease Has Not Broken Out And All Are Cared For.

San Francisco, April 22.—The board of health reports an encouraging health condition, considering the circumstances. Sickness is constantly on the decrease. There are few contagious diseases and these are being attended to at Golden Gate park. Sanitary conditions in residence districts are improving.

A large corps of volunteers started to work yesterday collecting garbage. Wagons were pressed into service today and garbage removed to the burned area and destroyed. Cess pools are being dug.

The committee having in charge the relief of the hungry, reports that every homeless man, women and child in San Francisco is being cared for and that there is no suffering on the score of either food or drink within the city. Cars and steamers laden to their capacity with food and medical supplies, are pouring into the city from every point along the coast and throughout the state, and as this supply has been assured as permanent there is not the slightest fear of any lack of food or drink.

The relief committee is issuing orders on dealers and on supply stations, and within a day or two at the outside, work will be thoroughly organized and ample funds will be on hand with which to honor all orders that have been presented and filled.

BRAIN TROUBLE CAUSES DEATH

Mrs. Hattie Cross Edwards Passes Away After Three Weeks' Illness.

Special Correspondence.

Clinton, Ill., April 20.—Mrs. Hattie Cross-Edwards died with brain trouble at her home in Clinton Thursday at 9 o'clock. She has been ill for the past three weeks and was unconscious most of the time. Hattie Cross was born on a farm near Maroa January 24, 1871, and was 35 years old. She was married to Loomis Edwards in Maroa November 13, 1892, and resided there until three years ago, when she moved to Clinton. She leaves a mother, two brothers and one sister. Her mother and one brother, William, in Maroa; Charles Cross of Clinton, and Mrs. H. C. Harrington of Dalton City. The funeral will be held from the residence Friday afternoon at 2 o'clock, conducted by Rev. C. E. Varney. The remains will be taken to the Maroa cemetery for interment.

Charles Frank Swisher, who died Wednesday, had been a resident of DeWitt county all his life. He was born at Swisher, Ill., November 1, 1851, and was married to Miss Emma Williams December 21, 1871, to which union there was born three children, two dying in infancy. Mrs. C. N. Phillips, the only daughter, living in Chicago. He was a member of the Presbyterian church at DeWitt. The funeral will be held from the Presbyterian church Saturday afternoon, conducted by Rev. J. M. Torbis of Lincoln, assisted by Rev. S. C. Black. Interment at Woodlawn cemetery.

Marriage.

Charles Weiss of Decatur and Miss Alta Scott were united in marriage Thursday afternoon at the Universalist parsonage by Rev. C. E. Varney. Mr. Weiss is employed by the Illinois Central as brakeman and resides in Decatur. The bride is a well known Clinton lady and highly respected by her many friends.

Cosmopolitan Club.

The Cosmopolitan club were entertained at a musical at the residence of Mrs. Frank Miller on East Washington street Thursday afternoon. The hostess was assisted in receiving by Mrs. Grant Eaton. It was "guest day," and a number of ladies from out of town were entertained. Miss Margaret Hendrix and Myra Rundle gave several selections in music and readings. The club gave a contest, "The Bride's Opera," and Mrs. Morris March was awarded first prize. A dainty three-course luncheon was served and small printed program cards given in the club colors, green and white.

Local Notes.

Friday, April 20, will be observed in all the Clinton schools as Arbor and Bird day. Appropriate exercises and exhibits of the various lines of work will be given.

The home talent play given Wednesday night for the benefit of the Women's Relief Corps was well patronized and was one of the largest audiences which has attended the opera house this season.

Keith Day, son of Mrs. James Bates, has been admitted to the regular army and Wednesday night went to Jefferson Barracks, St. Louis, Mo., to enlist for a term of three years. He will be assigned to the coast artillery.

The case against Dr. Davis of Wapella, which was to have been tried Wednesday, was continued.

Miss Wodetzky of Lincoln is the guest of her sister, Miss Florence Wodetzky.

Rev. Norton Rigg attended the prohibition convention in Springfield and a reception given Bishop McDowell of Chicago.

GRACE METHODIST.

The Queen Esther circle of the Grace Methodist church will meet at the home of Mrs. A. J. Murry, 1575 North Main street, this afternoon at 3 o'clock.

MAY BE INTENDED AS WARNING

Rev. J. L. Thompson Suggests That San Francisco Was Wicked.

TO KNOW HEREAFTER

Why Disaster Was Brought Upon People.

The San Francisco disaster was the subject of comment by Rev. J. L. Thompson at the First Christian church Sunday morning. Special music was rendered by the chorus choir, and one young man united with the church. Mr. Thompson's subject was, "God's Law and the San Francisco Earthquake. In part he said:

"On Wednesday morning, April 18, while the great city of San Francisco was slumbering, mother-earth began to tremble, massive buildings rocked, tottered and fell.

"The inhabitants rushed panic stricken from their homes to see the mad flames devouring the crumbling remains.

"Today it is estimated that 300,000 homeless people are camping in the vicinity of the ill-fated city, hungry and cold, while many are moaning the loss of loved ones who perished in the awful catastrope. What does it all mean? Is it a contradiction of God's Love?

People naturally turn to the minister to see what he will say. They will say that he (the minister), has insisted that 'God doeth all things well.' Then cometh the question, "Is this well done?" Listen my friends—The intelligence of today repudiates the idea 'that prosperity signifies God's approval or adversity His displeasure.'

"The good things are not distributed according to man's moral deserts. This is evidenced every day. Many rich and fat are corrupt in manner of living, while some that are poor and lean are honest and pure in life. When our beautiful Golden City received her terrible shock the good and the bad suffered alike. The question now comes, was this an evidence of God's wrath?

"The Christian does not pretend to know everything. The difference between the Christian and the agnostic is one of faith, not knowledge. The Christian does not know the deep mysteries of life and death, but he knows one who does know.

"He does not understand why catastrophes overtake and destroy but he trusts one who does understand. The fact that God does things for which we can see no reason does not prove that there is not a divine reason.

"There are things we ought to know and natural laws we ought to obey. But we are so short-sighted, and in this 'Age of Commercialism' we blindfold our eyes and rush madly on.

"In our eagerness to extend our arms into the commercial world we build on the sand."

At this point Mr. Thompson spoke of the physical location of the big cities. He then went on to say:

"But another element enters into this aside from the geographical location and physical conditions of these cities. It is the moral and religious condition.

"A man asked me this week: 'Why it was that it was nearly always the wickedest city that received the blow' He said San Francisco was the blackest spot on the map. The home of prize fighters and gamblers. So, it may be that God has given us his sign and warning. That out of it there may come a new city. That this baptism of fire may have a regenerating influence on it.

"When the great veil is lifted we shall know why babes die and mothers weap. Why cities burn and nations suffer. For he who doeth all things wisely and well hath said, 'we shall know hereafter.'"

HE WILL SOON BE HERE

Government Issues Pamphlet Concerning the Common Fly.

The common house fly is the subject of a ten-page, finely printed and copiously illustrated pamphlet just authorized by the government. It contains much scientific and technical information, but incidentally it disposes of some popular misinformation relative to the little pest. It says:

"On account of the conformation of its mouth parts, the house fly can not bite, yet no impression is stronger in the minds of most people than that this insect does occassionaly bite. This impression is due to the frequent occurrence in houses of another fly, which is called the stable fly, and which, while closely resembling the house fly, (so closely in fact, as to receive any one but an entomologist), differs from it in the important particular that its mouth parts are formed for piercing the skin. It is, perhaps, second in point of abundance to the house fly in most portions of the northeastern states.

"There is a species, smaller than the common housefly, which is called the house fly. The male, which is much commoner than the female, has large pale patches at the base of the abdomen, which are translucent when the fly is seen on the window pane. It is this species that is largely responsible for the prevalent idea that flies grow after gaining wings. Most people think that these little homalomyias are the young of the larger flies, which, of course, is distinctly not the case.

Hope in the Cities.

"A careful screening of windows and doors during the summer months, with the supplementary use of sticky fly papers, is a preventive measure against the house fly known to every one, and there seems to be little hope in the near future of much relief by doing away with the breeding places. A single stable in which a horse is kept will supply house flies for an extended neighborhood.

"People living in agricultural communities will probably never be rid of the pest, but in cities, with better methods of disposal of garbage, and with the lessening of the number of horses and horse stables consequent upon electric street railways, bicycles and automobiles, the time may come, and before very long, when window screens may be discarded. The prompt gathing of horse manure, which may be variously treated or kept in a specially prepared receptacle, would greatly abate the fly nuisance, and city ordinances compelling horse owners to follow some such course are desirable. Absolute cleanliness, even under the existing circumstances, will always result in a diminution of the number of house flies, and, in fact, most household insects are less attracted to the premises of what is known as the old-fashioned housekeeper than of those of the other kind.

"The house fly has a number of natural enemies. The common house centipede destroys it in considerable numbers. There is a small reddish mite which frequently covers its body and gradually destroys it. It is subject to the attacks of hymenopterous parasites in its larvael condition, and it is destroyed by predatory beetles at the same time.

"The most effective enemy, howevr is a fungous disease known as Empusina Muscoe, which carries off flies in large numbers, particularly toward the close of the season. The epidemic ceases in December, and, although many thousands are killed by it, the remarkable rapidity of development in the early summer months soon more than replaces the thousands thus destroyed."

LIQUOR KILLS TWICE AS MANY

Rev. F. W. Burnham Says More Die That Way Than in San Francisco.

The bright day Sunday permitted a large audience to be out, and the church was well filled at both services.

Preceeding the morning sermon Mr. Burnham announced the mass meeting for the afternoon at the Temple on behalf of the San Francisco relief fund and urged that all citizens attend. He said that he felt that the present call for aid were better to be answered by the people in general than that it be taken by the churches as such. The probabilities are that many of the churches in the doomed city were destroyed and that after temporal needs are provided for will come the problem of storing these churches and providing for the future of religious development. That will be the time for our churches, as such to lend their most valuable aid. The present widespread sympathy and benevolence bids fair to abundantly cover present needs, and it will be well if there be some resources reserved for demands which are not so generally appealing.

Mr. Burnham's morning sermon was on "The Temporal Limitaion of the Sons of God." Alluding to the San Francisco disaster he said that such events coming into the midst of our common experience throw us back upon the profoundest problems of our life, and send us to search anew for the hidden secrets of our faith. He said.

"By them we are reminded again of the limitations set by our present environment. Here we are limited as to our knowledge of the deeper things of life. We see through a glass darkly. We know only in part. We are limited in our powers of accomplishment. How puny are the most stupendous works of man when pitted against the titanic forces of nature. Also our happiness is everywhere circumscribed by conditions which we cannot control. Man never is; but always to be blest.

"Two considerations help us understand the riddle of these limitations. First, this is a disordered, deranged world in which we live. Sin has entered and its blight has not only blinded and distorted human life; but seems to have passed its effect on the whole creation in the midst of which we live. Who knows how much more perfectly this world might have been adapted to man's life, how much of its seeming physical evil might have been averted had the race never known sin.

"Secondly, since sin is here, the limitations we endure and the trials and struggles growing out of them, exert a disciplinary effect, deepening and enriching life, for which we may well be thankful and seek patiently to discover.

"But above these temporal limitations God has set the certainty of their future removal, and based the realization of that hope upon the fact of our kinship to himself. Now are we the sons of God, and it doth not yet appear that we shall be, but we know that when he shall appear we shall be like him, for we shall see him as he is."

WILL TAKE COLLECTION

At the St. James Catholic church Sunday morning Father Murphy referred in the course of his services to the San Francisco disaster. He said that the details were so well known through reading the daily papers that there was no need for him to say anything more. It was decided that the collection next Sunday will be sent to San Francisco as a relief fund.

RAISE $102 FOR MISSIONS.

At the United Brethren church Sunday the sum of $102 was raised for missions. Considering the size of the church the sum was unusually large. Also there was one addition to the church at the evening service.

The ladies aid society will meet on Thursday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock with Mrs. A. F. Gebhart. The meeting will be a called business session.

SALOON MEN CLAIM VICTORY

Clinton Liquor Men Think That $1,000 License Did Not Carry.

WILL MAKE A FIGHT

And Try to Convince Aldermen to Believe It.

Clinton, Ill., April 22—The saloon men of Clinton think that $1,000 license proposition was not carried at the recent election because it did not receive a majority of all the votes cast. They are to attempt to convince the new city officers of this fact.

Social Events.

Gorman's orchestra gave their last party Friday evening. In May the dancing season will open up at Weldon Springs, and two dances will be given each month during the summer.

The rally of the Lady Maccabees No. 244 that was held in Springfield Friday was well represented by Clinton order. The guards' drill was given by the Springfield and Clinton teams.

Miss Margaret Hendrix, Marie Gulzo, and Cleo Rundle had a part in the musical program.

The Lady Maccabees Hive No. 159 attended the state rally in Bloomington and secured one of the prizes which was given for the hive that secured the most new members Bloomington first 2$5, and Clinton Hive No. 159, second, $10.

The G. I. A. gave a masquerade social Saturday evening in the Way and Zorger hall. The ladies were masked, and their baskets were sold to the highest bidder.

Court News.

D. J. McCann has filed a petition in bankruptcy. Liabilities $800.

Charles Cisco has filed a suit in the circuit court against Leland Cisco for partition of the estate of the late Peggy Cisco, his wife. At her death she left an estate of eighty acres of land to be divided between her six children and himself to receive one-half and he claims the division has not been made.

Mrs. Kate E. Laugherty has filed a bill for divorce from her husband. They were married in 1902 in Maroa. She alleges repeated cruelty and neglect to provide proper clothing.

A charge was brought against William E. Crawford and Richard I. Hall, proprietors of the "Magnet saloon for violating the city ordinances and selling whiskey on Sundays and election day. They were fined $25 but appealed the case. City Attorney Donahue was assisted in the prosecution by F. K. Lemon and the defendants by John Fuller.

Miss Gladys Renn returned to her home in Ramsey Saturday.

Miss Clara Edwards has returned to her home in Lincoln after a visit in Clinton.

Miss Helen Davidson has gone to Breckinridge, Mo., to visit relatives.

Miss Lela Barricks is visiting friends in Decatur over Sunday.

Misses Jessie Wilson and Nellie Fry went to Danville to visit the former's sister.

Miss Markles of Bloomington is visiting Miss Fay Hall.

Railroad Notes.

Brakeman Ed. Thompson has returned to work after an absence of several days in New Orleans.

Operator John Hamilton of Springfield was in Clinton Friday.

Operator Fred Durban is working in Moweaqua a few days.

Operator Vallo, who has been working in Chicago, has returned to Clinton and resumed his place at the depot.

The night telegraph office at Alhambra Tower has been closed.

Superintendent C. Dougherty returned from St. Louis where he has been on business.

Operator A. N. Schafer went to Moline, Saturday, for a few days, presumably to cross the matrimonial sea.

E. S. Pierce, an operator, was in Clinton Saturday en route to Chicago from the doomed city, San Francisco. He left there the day before the disaster.

The barn at Leon Kirk's residence caught fire Saturday and the fire company made short work of extinguishing the flames but during the run one of the fire horses in some way got his hoof broken.

Real Estate Transfers.

John A. Lisenby to Guy E. Corey part of block 12, village of Weldon; $500.

M. A. Current to George Sursdorf & Son, part of Reserve block 6 in Weldon; $10,200.

Ed. Cackley to Alexander D. Cackley, lots 2, 3 and 4, block 1 in Gideon's addition to Clinton; also lots 5, 6 and 7, block 1 in Madden's second addition to Clinton; $3,000.

Charles S. Lafferty to Robert N. Hilliard, lot 4, block A, in C. S. Lafferty's sub-division to Clinton; $164.

Albert Jackson to Rachel Wells, lot 3, block 20 in Kenney; $500.

Arthur G. Tennant to Catherine J. Lane, lot 7, block 2 in Ashley's addition to Clinton, $1,500.

TO HELP DRUGGISTS.

Decatur Druggists Will Send Aid to Brethren in San Francisco.

Decatur druggists will hold a meeting Tuesday evening of next week for the purpose of considering plans for sending relief to the druggists in San Francisco.

The meeting was called in response to a telegram received from the secretary of the national retail druggists' association.

GERMAN METHODIST.

Monday evening the male chorus will practice.

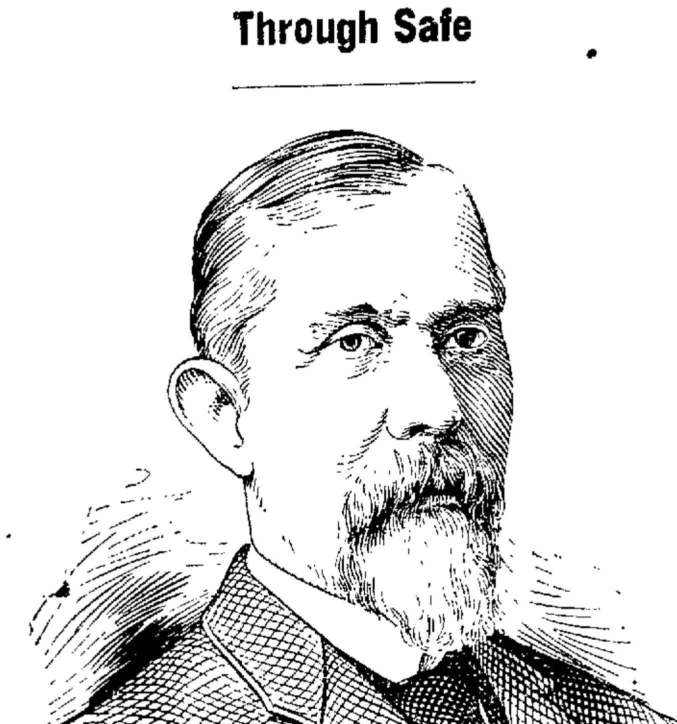
Wednesday evening the regular midweek prayer meeting will be held.

Thursday evening the Epworth League will hold a social at the home of the pastor, 345 North Jackson street. All members of the society are urged to attend.

Jayne's Tonic Vermifuge At your druggist's. Gives strength to men, women and children.

NOTHING HEARD FROM D. S. SHELLABARGER

Mrs. Moore and Daughter Nellie Also Still Missing---Some Decatur People Got Through Safe



D. S. SHELLABARGER,
Prominent Decatur Citizen Who With Wife and Daughter Have Not Been Heard From.

Anxiety increases as to the welfare of Mrs Moore, sister of Mrs Alfred Evans, and her daughter, Nellie, and also D. S Shellabarger and his wife and family.

Mrs Evans has not heard a word from her sister and she is worried. It is possible that Mrs. Moore has not been able to get a message out among the first. Mrs. Moore was in poor health when last heard from and this fact makes her friends more anxious.

Has Gone West.

It is felt certain that D. S Shellabarger and wife and Miss Corinne Shellabarger arrived in San Francisco the morning before the earthquake and when no word from them could be received W. L. Shellabarger decided to go west and look them up. He left for California Sunday. Mr Shellabarger agreed to also do all in his power for Mrs Evans in trying to locate her sister and niece.

Messages have been heard from some of the Decatur people who went through the disaster.

MR. REAVIS SAFE.

Sanday night at 8 30 o clock James A. Reavis of this city received a telegram from his brother T. C. Reavis, who is living at Salina City, Cal. which is about 125 miles distant from San Francisco. Salina City was badly shaken up and for a while it was feared that many lives had been lost. The telegram received last night was the first word that has been received here from Salina City.

Mr Reavis has been in California since 1882. The news of his safety was a cause of general rejoicing among his many friends and relatives in this city.

The telegram reads as follows

Salina City, April 22.
J. A. Reavis,
Decatur.
We are all safe. No lives lost in Salina City.
T. C. R.

FRED McGAVIC SAFE.

W. A. McGavic received a telegram from his son, Fred McGavic, who has been at Berkley, California, Sunday. The telegram was as follows

Berkley, Cal., April 21.
W. A. McGavic,
San Francisco is a complete wreck. Berkley is all right. All well.
FRED McGAVIC.

LETTER FROM BERKLEY.

2333 Channing Way.
Berkley, Cal, April 18, 1906.

My Dear Mother:

There was a severe earthquake here this morning at 5 10 but no one in Berkley was injured, although considerable damage was done. Since then there have been smaller shocks.

Over in the city, from rumors that we hear, it was terrible. San Francisco is afire in several places as a result of the earthquake and many people have been killed or injured. I tried to go to the city but the fire chief there has forbidden any one to land.

I have sent telegram but thought I would write you that we are all right.

Hastily,
CLARENCE REED.

WHAT IT WOULD MEAN HERE.

Decatur people can best realize the extent of the San Francisco ruins when it is applied locally. It is estimated that three-fourths of the 47 square miles of the city is in ruins. That means about 36 square miles.

Such an area in this locality would mean all of the city of Decatur from the eastern boundary and extending west for a breadth of three miles to Niantic. Or in other words it means an area of the size of Austin or Illini township all a total ruin. Imagine the entire township of Austin, or six Decaturs placed side by side all built up with houses and buildings and all burned or shaken down.

The number of residents of San Francisco who are homeless means as many as live in ten cities the size of Decatur.

AN EARTHQUAKE PROOF CITY WILL BE BUILT AT FRISCO

Contractors, Engineers and Building Experts Are Getting Ready to Start Reconstruction

San Francisco, Cal., April 22.—Engineers and building experts representing the leading contracting firms of the country are arriving here to look over the situation with a view to engaging in the work of rebuilding the city.

That the city will be rebuilt on a grander scale than ever no one here doubts, and the most capable men of the county will be engaged in devising structures which will withstand fire and earthquake.

Steel structures seem most favored by those on the ground and many think the only problem is devising some method by which the stone or brick walls can be held to the steel frame work of the buildings declaring skeletons of buildings can be put up which will stand any racking or shaking.

The estimate of 250,000 tons of structural steel is considered conservative for the new buildings. Representatives of the United States steel company and other makers of structural steel are already here.

New Yorkers for Rebuilding.

New York, April 22.—In spite of the staggering property losses involved in the destruction of San Francisco by earthquake and fire, New Yorkers who have large interests at stake in that city and Californians resident here say that San Francisco will be rebuilt as speedily as possible, that the city will rise from its ashes on grander lines than those of its past, and that it would be a safer and healthier city because of the precautions to be taken against future earthquakes and conflagrations.

D. O. Mills said: "In spite of the uncertainty one thing is sure—the city will be rebuilt.

"We will go ahead and build the city and build it so that earthquakes will not shake it down and so that fire will not destroy it, and we will have a water system from the sea for fire extinguishing purposes and other municipal service. We will thus have less to fear from the destruction of the land mains."

Archer M. Huntington, a son of Collis P. Huntington said: "San Francisco is the logical metropolis of the Rockies and all talk of abandoning the city in favor of some such place as Seattle is foolishness. I can say that the city will be rebuilt at once, that it will be an improved city, and that in the building profit will be taken from present conditions."

Better Buildings, Says Guggenheim.

"Of course San Francisco will rise again," said Isaac Guggenheim. "We have every confidence in its recuperative powers. It will rise again like the phoenix and be bigger and more beautiful. Buildings will be put up that will not tumble down when the earthquakes come and neither will they burn so easily and it will be one of the most beautiful cities of the world."

C. E. Laidlaw said that commercial necessities would take care of San Francisco's future, adding: "I see no reason why the city should not rise again. The tendency is, of course, to rebuild."

"There can be no possible doubt that San Francisco will rise, phoenixlike, from the ashes of her ruins," declared Colonel Dudley Evans, president of the Wells Fargo Express company. "It is a question of only a few years before the city will be greater and grander than ever before. It will have the experience and mistakes of the past as a guide, and even if there should be another visitation of an earthquake there would be little to fear, with the provisions that will be made to meet such a danger."

Business Section May Move.

Some plan must be devised which will obviate the necessity of building on the made land of the wholesale district. It has virtually no foundation to support the great buildings which rested upon it, and it seems likely that the merchants will move to the solid ground formerly known as Tar flat, south of Market street.

That no time will be lost in the work of rebuilding San Francisco is suggested by the fact that the large engineering and contracting firms are sending their most expert men to investigate the ruins with a view of discovering the form of construction which best withstood the shock. The city will require 250,000 tons of structural steel to repair her losses and to erect new buildings, according to E. H. Gary, head of the United States steel corporation and other authorities interviewed yesterday. One result of the earthquake, it is claimed, will be to give an impetus to the use of steel skeletons in future building along the Pacific coast.

The heads of large commission houses in the dry goods trade are talking over plans of announcing and reasonable extension of credit to their San Francisco customers as a means of aiding them to reestablish their business.

INSURANCE FIRMS STAGGERED BY LOSS

San Francisco Is Most Expensive Fire That the Companies of the World Ever Suffered.

GREAT FIRES OF MODERN TIMES COMPARED WITH SAN FRANCISCO

The following table shows the insurance loss in the great conflagrations of modern times, not including that of San Francisco:

Great London fire (England)	$ 25,000,000
Chicago fire, 1871	190,000,000
New York fire, 1835	20,000,000
Pittsburg fire, 1845	6,000,000
Albany, 1848	3,000,000
Portland, Me., 1866	15,000,000
Boston, 1872	80,000,0000
Baltimore, 1904	50,000,000
Total	$389,000,000

San Francisco insurance in force, $238,880,000.

New York, April 22.—Through documents and statistics at the Home Insurance Co. of New York, it is possible to show the total amount of insurance carried in San Francisco by each company doing business in that city. The list includes 78 American Companies and 30 foreign companies, and the total amount at risk in the San Francisco district is $238,880,000.

The loss is by no means total. Late advices from the stricken city, indicate that probably half the city has been saved. This fact will not, however, reduce the loss 50 per cent, because the bulk of the damage was done in the business, manufacturing and financial districts, where the policies are large in amount. On the other hand, there will be a considerable reduction from salvage on iron and steel buildings, the frames of which still remain standing and are valuable for further use.

The companies hardest hit are the California concerns, who are not only liable for fire losses, but have their assets invested in San Francisco bonds and mortgages.

"The earthquake fire disaster in San Francisco," said Vice President Correa of the Home Life, "is the most staggering blow ever administed to the insurance companies of the world. In the Chicago fire of 1871 the loss was approximately $190,000,000, and scores of companies were wiped out. Some never paid, some paid in proportion to their ability and some paid in full by assessments on stockholders. It is to be hoped that this calamity will not prove so disastrous to the insurance interests."

AGAINST FALSE HOPE.

Oakland, Cal., April 22.—That the insurance companies will not pay any losses for which they are not legally and technically liable was made known today after a meeting of the San Francisco fire underwriters, held at their headquarters in Reed's hall, Twelfth and Harrison streets.

The sense of the meeting was that the impression should not be given out that the insurance companies had money to throw away, or that any losses would be paid until they had been properly adjusted, and only such losses as the companies are responsible for will be paid.

This matter was brought to the attention of the board by Rolla V. Watt, manager of the Royal and Queens insurance companies. He said:

"I met former Mayor Phelan on the street yesterday, and he asked me to get some sort of a notice given out to the public that their losses would be paid. I do not believe that is the proper thing, and I told him so. The companies I represent will pay what they are liable for and no more, and it is better for those whose spirits are drooping to allow them to droop rather than to buoy them up with false hopes."

The sentiment was generally concurred in. From the remarks made there is no doubt that the companies will draw a fine distinction between the loss by earthquake and that by fire, and will only pay for what was actually burned.

The question of property devastated by dynamite was not touched upon and will probably be the cause of endless litigation.

GHOST OF VIGILANCE COMMITTEE IN ACTION

Like Olden Times Citizens of San Francisco Take Law in Own Hands And Lynch Thieves.

Los Angeles, Cal., April 22.—Reports of two lynchings in front of the Palace hotel in San Francisco were brought here today by Oliver Posey Jr., son of a well known milling operator.

From his accounts, marital law, enforced without needless delay, is doing much to protect the sufferers from harm at the hands of the lawless throng.

"The scenes to be witnessed in San Francisco are simply appalling," said Posey. "Were it not for the fact that the soldiers in charge of the city do not hesitate to shoot down the thieves, the lawless element would predominate.

"Not only do the soldiers execute summary justice on robbers, but citizens likewise take the law into their hands.

Wednesday afternoon in front of the Palace hotel a crowd of workers discovered a miscreant in the act of robbing a corpse of its jewels. Without delay he was seized, a rope procured and he immediately was strung up to a beam which was left standing in the ruined entrance of the Palace hotel.

"No sooner had he been hoisted up and a hitch taken in the rope than one of his fellow criminals was captured. Stopping only to secure a few yards of hemp, a slip knot was quickly tied around his neck, and the wretch was soon adorning the hotel entrance by the side of the other dastard.

"These were the only two instances of law executed by civilians that I witnessed, but I heard of many more that were seen by others. The soldiers do all they can, and, while the crime of robbing the dead is undoubtedly being practiced, it would be much more so were it not for constant vigilance on all sides, as well as the summary justice meted out."

MISS MAME COOPER DIES.

Head Trimmer at Linn & Scruggs' Store Passes Away.

Miss Mame C. Cooper died at the home of her sister, Mrs. W. B. Burke, 339 East Washington street at 6:30 o'clock Saturday evening. Pneumonia was the cause. For the past few seasons Miss Cooper has been the head trimmer at Linn & Scruggs' dry goods store.

She was born at Salem, Ill November 13, 1863, and claimed that place as her home.

Friends who wish to view the remains may call at the residence this afternoon between the hours of 2 and 3 o'clock. At 3:15 o'clock a short service will be conducted at the house by Rev. R. W. Gammon, pastor of the Congregational church. Following this service the remains will be shipped to Salem, Ill., at 4:10 o'clock, where the interment will take place.

CHICAGO JEWS ARE PENNILESS

Theatrical Company Lost All Baggage and Clothing.

Oakland, Cal., April 22.—The Jewish theatrical company of Chicago had a sad experience.

Their entire property wardrobe has been destroyed and, under great difficulties, the members escaped with their lives.

The earthquake drove them out of their homes, and then they were driven by the fire to eight different locations, until they were safely landed at Oakland and given shelter in the synagogue.

All are left there without funds.

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NERVOUS DEBILITY.

Are you nervous and despondent, weak and debilitated; tired mornings; no ambition—lifeless; memory poor; easily fatigued; excitable and irritable; eyes sunken, red and blurred; pimples on face; dream and night losses; restlessness, haggard looking; weak back; deposit in urin and drains at stool; distrustful; want of confidence; lack of energy and strength.

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MANY OUT TO HEAR CONCERT

First of Season at Fairview Is Attended by Many Persons.

The first band concert of the season given by the Goodman band yesterday afternoon at Fairview Park drew an immense crowd and the full capacity of the street car system was taxed to the limit. A rough estimate of the crowd places the number in round figures at 2,500 and it is a low guess at that. Not only was the band concert an attraction but it was an excellent occasion for many of the ladies and gentlemen to display their Easter regalia of which they were deprived a week previous owing to the disagreeable weather.

The weather yesterday was none too warm, but it was very comfortable in the sun and the pretty lawns at the park made an excellent resting place.

The band played a program lasting almost two hours and this comprised principally popular music. Prof Walter's arrangement of "Everybody works but Father," and "Dearie," with the medley of other popular songs, were heartily applauded. The entire program was enjoyed immensely.

DANVILLE MAN LOSES FAMILY

Capt. Wicks of Soldiers' Home Grieved as Result of Disaster.

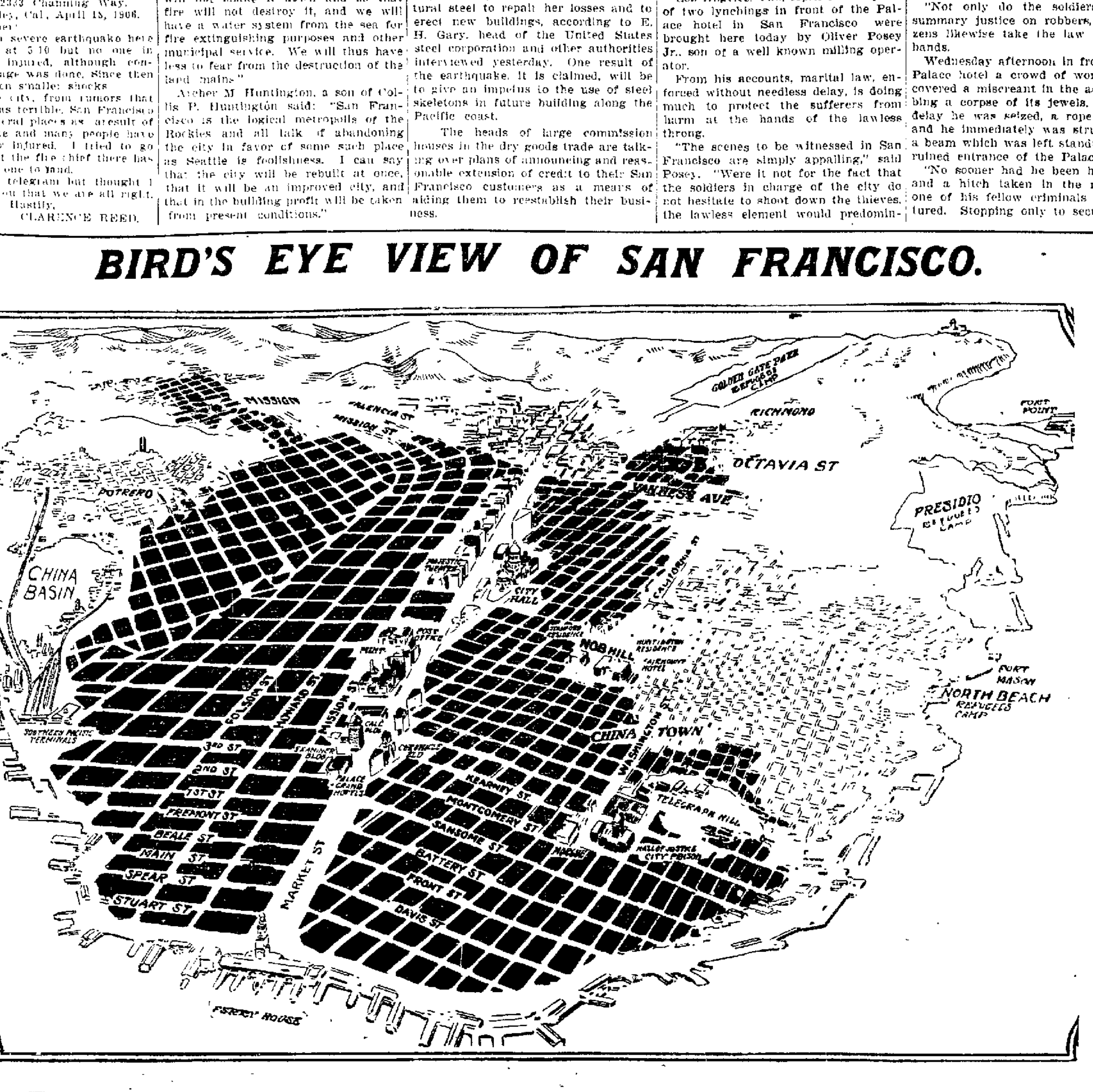
Danville, Ill., April 22. Capt E. B. Wicks, commander of company M at the soldiers' home this afternoon received a telegram from San Francisco stating that his wife, son, daughter, son-in-law and grandson perished in the earthquake. They resided in a flat building, which was totally demolished and but a few of its occupants escaped.

ASSAULTS RELATIVE

George Barger Was Arrested And Went To Jail.

George Barger, a resident of Oklahome district, was arrested yesterday afternoon by Deputy Al Marquiss on a caplas charging him with assaulting his step-son. He was placed in jail in default of bonds to the amount of $200. When he was arrested he had just completed work of preparing some covered wagons with the intention of leaving with is family last night for other parts.

BIRD'S EYE VIEW OF SAN FRANCISCO.



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The Survivor

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FUNERAL

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MRS. SPANGLER DIES SUDDENLY

Passes Away at the Old Homestead East of The City.

WAS OLD RESIDENT

Husband Died in Macon County In 1862.

[illegible] Spangler, one of the [illegible] of Macon county, died [illegible] of heart failure, at [illegible] homestead, just east [illegible] East Wood street. [illegible] daughter of John Zorger, [illegible] York county, Pennsylvania and was of German [illegible] parents having been na- [illegible]

[illegible] wife and six children, the [illegible] westward in 1839. His [illegible] 1885, at the age of [illegible] years. His wife died in [illegible] seventy-seventh year. Mrs. [illegible] her sister Caroline were [illegible] oldest of the family.

Farmer's Daughter.

[illegible] Spangler spent her childhood [illegible] usual manner of farmer's [illegible] educational privileges [illegible] limited, as there were only [illegible] schools in the neighbor- [illegible] 1859 she became the wife of [illegible] Spangler, who came from York [illegible] has served as a team- [illegible] and miller in the Key- [illegible] becoming quite wealthy. [illegible] marriage Mr. and Mrs. [illegible] lived at Spangler's Mill, on [illegible] river, and later removed [illegible] Point township, whence [illegible] to the farm in Decatur town- [illegible] Mr. Spangler died February [illegible] the age of seventy-five

The Survivors.

[illegible] Spangler is survived by a son, [illegible] who runs the farm east [illegible] and by a daughter, Mrs. [illegible] of Sullivan, Mo.

[illegible] Spangler was an intelligent and [illegible] lady, widely known through [illegible] county and was held in high es- [illegible] her many excellent traits of [illegible]

[illegible] arrangements for the funeral have [illegible] been made, but will be an- [illegible] later.

Death of Mrs. Marrs.

Mrs. Mary Jane Marrs died at eight [illegible] Saturday night at the home of [illegible] daughter, Mrs. John Marsh, six [illegible] southwest of the city. The cause [illegible] her death was old age, she was 89 [illegible] old.

[illegible] funeral will be held at 2 o'clock [illegible] afternoon from the residence of [illegible] daughter. The interment will be at [illegible] cemetery.

FUNERALS.

John Kinney.

[illegible] funeral of John Kinney who [illegible] his home, four miles west of [illegible] Friday, was held at 2 o'clock [illegible] afternoon from St. Isadore's [illegible] Bethany. It was one of the [illegible] attended funerals that has been [illegible] that part of the county for a [illegible] years the church being [illegible] to the doors. The church is [illegible] one mile from the resi- [illegible] when the cortege arrived [illegible] people were still coming [illegible]

[illegible] were conducted by Rev. [illegible] and music was fur- [illegible] regular choir. The pall [illegible] Bryan Conlon, John Fitz- [illegible] Mulcahey, Michael Grif- [illegible] Hereberry and James Smith. [illegible] was at St. Isadore's [illegible]

Mrs. Cooper.

[illegible] funeral service was held at [illegible] Sunday afternoon at the [illegible] Mrs. W. B. Burke, 339 East [illegible] street, over the remains of [illegible] Cooper. She died Sat- [illegible] afternoon at 5:30 o'clock. The [illegible] conducted by Rev. R. W. [illegible] pastor of the Cumberland [illegible] church.

[illegible] o'clock the body was taken [illegible] where the funeral will be [illegible] The body will be buried [illegible] cemetery.

B. S. Finnical.

[illegible] body of B. S. Finnical who [illegible] dead in the Bolton building [illegible] afternoon, will be shipped to [illegible] 7:20 o'clock, this morn- [illegible] Mr. Finnical died the body [illegible] the Dawson undertaking [illegible]

IMPROVEMENT AT VIRDEN.

Electric Light Company Will Make Some Extensive Changes.

[illegible] April 22.—The Virden [illegible] company has consum- [illegible] whereby it will enlarge [illegible] its scope of business. [illegible] will transfer its pres- [illegible] to the lot one-half block [illegible] of the northeast corner of the [illegible] there it will erect an ad- [illegible] building for the purpose of [illegible] ice and furnishing the [illegible] heat.

[illegible] of the material for the new [illegible] has been ordered, and the [illegible] be pushed rapidly. It is ru- [illegible] the interurban company is [illegible] for the purchase of the [illegible] opposite this site, but for [illegible] purpose is not known.

School Printing Plant.

[illegible] the Herald.

[illegible] April 22.—The boys of [illegible] school have decided to each [illegible] amount of money and with the [illegible] buy a printing plant. By this [illegible] hope to master the trade, [illegible] they have graduated from [illegible] will donate the plant to the [illegible] school.

BOY SURRENDERS AFTER ESCAPE

Pierce Culp Walks Into Jail and Gives Himself Up.

WAS WITH ROY JONES

When the Boy Was Hurt on The Railroad.

Pierce Culp, the other of the two boys who escaped from the rock pile Friday afternoon is back safely in jail and care will be taken that he does not repeat the trick. It is hardly probable, however, from the circumstances surrounding his return to the jail, that he has any desire for a repetition.

About 2 o'clock yesterday afternoon he walked into the jail office where Turnkey Marquiss was sitting at the desk. His face was wreathed in smiles and with a "Hello, Mike," he sat down as though he had merely called for an informal visit. Mike accepted his kindly salutation by placing him back behind the bars where he will remain until his sentence is served.

Escaped Together.

Culp and Roy Jones were the two boys who escaped from the rock pile. Jones was picked up Saturday night on North Main street with his cheek bone broken and an ugly scalp wound in the back of his head. He is at St. Mary's hospital but will be returned to jail today. He met with his accident at Moweaqua Saturday night. He wanted to get off the train before it reached the depot at that place, but when he jumped off he landed on his face and turned a half dozen somersaults. Culp went in side and told the conductor and the train backed up and got Jones. Culp was put off at Moweaqua and was locked up over night. Yesterday morning he was released and walked to Decatur. He was almost starved and this was responsible for his surrender.

It was a very disagreeable experience and both of the boys are now wishing they had not ran away at all.

PRAY AND WORK ON SABBATH

Altars Are Set Up in Camp and Parks of The City.

San Francisco, April 22.—While many homeless San Franciscans worshipped today at rude altars set up in the open air wherever the homeless thousands are camped most people employed the Sabbath by working to clear up the burned area and to repair the remaining part of the city. There is great activity. Streets were clearing of debris, laborers were repairing broken water pipes, sewers and gas mains, electricians everywhere were seeing to disentangle the confusion of wires. San Francisco was in the first stages of its regeneration.

The Associated Press representatives today covered the burned area. The circumference of the area as near as could be determined by cyclometers, is 26 miles and comprises the entire business district and a large section of the residence district, all of which was densely populated.

$300,000,000 Loss.

It was estimated today by competent insurance authorities that the loss will aggregate three hundred million dollars, and on this vast amount of property insurance companies carried approximately $175,000,000 insurance.

Religious services were conducted today by every denomination in various parks, and at every other place where people were in camp. Improvised altars were set up in many places and ceremonials carried out before thousands of earnest and devout worshipers.

MAN KILLED UNDER WHEELS.

Rode All Night in Refrigerator Only to Meet Death.

Special to the Herald.

Bloomington, Ill., April 22.—Porter Ramsey, a traveling machinist, was killed in the Alton yards in this city today.

In company with another man, Ramsey boarded a refrigerator car at Chicago. They locked themselves in the ice chest and remained there until this city was reached. Here they freed themselves and in attempting to jump from the car while it was in action, Ramsey fell beneath the wheels. He is a man about 60 years old.

EATS UNTIL HIS FACE TURNS BLACK

Then Prisoner Says His Appetite Is Still Unsated.

St. Joseph, Mo., April 22.—One peck of potatoes.

Three pounds of boiled beef hash.

Two quarts of coffee.

Butter and other incidentals.

This is not a boarding house layout. It is what hungry Richard Pettet, a prisoner in the county jail, ate last night.

Pettet called it his supper.

On some occasions Pettet is alleged by his fellow prisoners to have stuffed himself black in the face. He is doing time for vagrancy, and it is supposed by those who have come in contact with him that he is a lunatic.

That he is an "ace high gourmand" there is no doubt.

"Hungry?" repeats Pettet when the odors of supper make their way through the jail "chuckhole." "I'm as hungry as a bear."

All of the prisoners in the jail admit Pettet, or "Casino Dick," as he is known, to be their superior when it comes to eating.

PRAISE FOR THE ENGINEER

Theodore P. Shonts Says the Work Is Good at Panama.

New York, April 22.—Theodore P. Shonts, chairman of the Panama canal commission, arrived from the isthmus last night. In an interview today Shonts spoke enthusiastically of the conditions of affairs in the canal zone and highly praised the work of Chief Engineer Stevens. His effective working force on the canal April 1 numbered 17,681 persons. Health conditions are most satisfactory, the sick rate being twenty to 1,000. There were 450 vacant beds in the hospital during March. The work on Culavrea cut has been carried forward steadily. During March 240,000 cubic yards of material were moved. By August forty shovels will be in a position to move a million cubic yards a month. Actual cost for work done in March 53½c per cubic yard.

Law and order continue to be maintained in high degree.

THINKS DEATH LIST IS LOW

Superintendent of Mint Says Not Over 300 Persons Were Killed.

Washington, April 22.—The loss of life at San Francisco is estimated at fewer than 300 persons in a telegram addressed to the secretary of the treasury by Superintendent of the Mint Leach. The telegram is as follows:

"The stories of loss of life are greatly exaggerated. I have been in it every day from the first. I have men reporting to me continually from all parts of the city and I do not believe the list will reach four hundred. My estimate from statements to me will not reach 300. The fire did not travel fast and the authorities took the trouble to keep ahead of the flames, notifying the people of the danger and cared for the helpless. The homeless are being cared for in Oakland and other suburban places. Thousands are camped out in the park and others in the open country south of the city.

Can be Repaired.

"I am informed that some of the modern buildings like the Spreckels, Crocker, Union Trust, Mutual Savings, all of which having banking institutions, can be fixed so as to be able to allow the banks to resume after some form in a few days I am told the Crocker-Woolworth and Union Trust hope to open up by Monday.

"I would suggest that reassuring telegrams be spread throughout the country that stories of loss of life have been most grossly exaggerated. The loss of life and list of injured are exceedingly small considering the extent of the disaster."

Stores Saved.

Collector of Customs Stratton telegraphed as follows:

"The appraisers stores and customs house are completely saved, business handled easily, but commercial interests are in the utmost confusion."

CONDEMS AMERICANS

Russians Do Not Like the Way Gorky Is Treated By People.

St. Petersburg, April 22.—Twenty-five Russian authors, headed by Cherekoff, author of the drama, "The Jews," and Kuprin, author of "The Duel," today published a resolution condemning Americans for their treatment of Maxim Gorky. "The American authors, represented by Mark Twain, the resolution says, "have insulted the Russian authors in the person of Maxim Gorky and Russian womanhood in the person of Mme. Andievera, by interfering in their private affairs. We Russian authors are amazed at such disregard of principles of privacy recognized by every civilized country and hereby express our deep indignation."

GOVERNOR SENDS HIS THANKS

Tells President He Appreciates the Services Given.

Washington, April 22.—President Roosevelt today received the following telegram from Governor Pardee, of California:

"Thanks for ships, conditions are much better, the fire is out and the weather cool. The people are cheerful and are being well taken care of. There are no epidemics, the whole country vieing to extend our people aid and sympathy. We appreciate very much your help."

BOISTEROUS CHARIVARI.

Burlington, Ia., April 22.—Hoodlums broke up a wedding feast with a charivari, which ended in a shower of bad eggs and stones. The guests were badly frightened and it was necessary to call the police to drive away the gang of young men.

The wedding was that of Miss Marie Anna Thomas and E. C. Cristenson, a motorman. They had been married at the First Methodist church and had with the guests, gone to the bride's home for the wedding supper, when a gang of young men gathered and began to charivari the couple. Some refreshments and a sum of money were sent out, but that did not satisfy them. While the guests were at supper the crowd began pelting the house with stones and bad eggs. Many of the latter were thrown through the windows striking on the table, entirely ruining the feast and driving the guests away.

OLYMPIC GAMES OPENED BY KING

Great Event at Athens Begins Under Bright Sunshine.

ROYALTY IN ATTENDANCE

Prince Constantine Is The President And Reads Object of Meeting.

Athens, April 22.—Under glorious sunshine following a showery morning, the opening ceremony of the Olympic games was performed today by King George of Greece. The huge stadium was already packed when the royal procession arrived to the strains of the Greek and British anthems.

First came a carriage containing King George and Queen Alexandria, then came a carriage with King Edward and Queen Olga. These were followed by carriages with Princess Victoria, Prince and Princess of Wales, and members of the Greek royal family, with brilliant suites, and representatives of various European courts.

The procession traversed the whole length of the stadium amid vociferous cheering, and the dignitaries took seats in a semi-circle. Then Crown Prince Constantine, Duke of Sparta, who is president of the game, moved from the center of the arena, saluting King George and read an address stating the objects of the meeting and expressing the hope that the victors of whatever nationality they might be would remember that the victory had been acclaimed on the sacred soil of Athens by descendants of the ancient Hellenes. He concluded by begging King George to proclaim the opening.

Opened by King.

King George arose and briefly declared the games opened.

All the participants in the games then moved in procession around the stadium, headed by bands playing inspiring music. As the 300 picked athletes of the world moved past, presenting an imposing display, they were cheered to the echo. Passing the royal personages the standard bearer of each team impressively lowered the flag of his country, King George gravely returning the salute.

The games began with gymnastic displays and contests. No Americans participated today. Members of the royal families remained to the finish.

Tonight the Acropolosis was brilliantly illuminated.

Fire Again

Oakland, April 23.—A report from San Francisco at midnight says that a brisk fire is burning in South San Francisco. The illumination could be seen from this side of San Francisco bay, a distance of eight miles. It is believed the fire broke out afresh from smouldering embers driven by the wind.

WOMEN FIGHT THE MEN

In a School Election They Make Lively Contest and Get Beat.

Special to the Herald.

Eureka, Ill., April 22.—The school election held in this city today was a unique affair in local politics. A women's ticket was put in the field against the men's ticket, and, while it was defeated by a large majority, the fight made by its supporters was a hard one. Almost the full vote of the district was polled.

The women's ticket had the support of the local W. C. T. U., Women's clubs, and almost every society in the city.

LAD JOINS CO-EDS' ALL-NIGHT GAME

Youth Crawls Through Window and Plays Poker Until Dawn.

Hiram, O., April 22.—The students of Hiram college declare that they will strike unless Miss Maude Anderson of Toronto, Canada, and Bert Williams of Warren, O., are reinstated. They were expelled when, deceived by decoy notes, they appeared before President Robinson and confessed that Williams entered Miss Anderson's room at night through a window and played poker until dawn.

Miss Anderson admits that she broke the rule which forbids the co-eds to receive students in their rooms at night. She said:

"I was sitting in my room in Bowler Hall. Esther Dodge of Washington and Marjorie Bull of Cleveland were with me. It was late at night and my window was open, when Bert Williams came along. We were sitting on the floor and he thought we were playing poker.

"So he climbed in through the window to take a hand. Of course we could not stop him—now, could we? President Rollinson said I had climbed out of the window to meet boys. I did once but just for a lark. All the girls do these things and much worse."

FRED GILBERT SLOWLY DYING

C. M. Powers of Decatur Was With Him in International Shoot.

Sportsmen all over the country will learn with regret that Fred Gilbert, champion trapshot of the world, for the first time in fifteen years, will miss the tournaments of the country this year, because he is down in bed with inflammatory rheumatism, from which he may not recover for twelve months.

It was for a time thought he would die, but he has sufficiently recovered so that he will be removed from his home in Spirit Lake to Hot Springs, Ark. The hands which have held a gun steadier than any others in the world are distorted by the ravages of the disease. He has suffered greatly. He will be unable to participate in the Grand American handicap in Indianapolis in June, and he is much grieved at the realization of this, says Sporting Life.

His hours and days of suffering have been brightened by gathering about him his many trophies which he has won. Of course, the most notable of these is the British presentation cup which was won by the American team in an international shoot with the champions of England and Scotland, and afterward won by Gilbert when the members of the American team shot for the prize.

This team, which captured the prize in 1901, was composed of Tom Marshall, captain; Charles W. Budd of Des Moines, F. S. Parmalee of Omaha, E. H. Tripp of Indianapolis, W. R. Crosby of O'Fallon, Ill.; C. M. Powers of Decatur, Ill.; Richard Merrill of Milwaukee, R. O. Helkes of Dayton, Ohio; J. A. R. Elliott of Kansas City, and Fred Gilbert of Spirit Lake, Iowa.

In all, Gilbert has sixteen loving cups, twenty-five or more medals, seven watches, an upright piano and numerous other trophies. He is particularly partial to "the shooting game," and has named his 6-year-old son Tom Marshall Gilbert after the famous Keithsville, Ill., shot, and his 4-year-old daughter Annie Oakley Gilbert, after Buffalo Bill's famous shot. For two years Gilbert has been honored by being elected president of the Iowa State Sportsmen's association.

HANS WAGNER OR LAJOIE

Which of These Two Great Stars Is Best All-Around Player?

Now that the baseball season is once more in full blast the old question as to who is the greatest player in the world will be revived.

Volumes have been written on the relative merits of Lajoie and Wagner, and more volumes will be written again this season. Both players have strong adherents. To those who have never seen the men in action Lajoie is the beau ideal player, but keen judges of the sport are openly divided as to the merits of the men.

A National leaguer will tell you that Wagner is incomparably better than Lajoie, while a follower of the American league is not slow in pointing to the superior merits of the big Frenchman.

So far as batting ability is concerned there is little to choose between the men. Both are topnotchers in this respect.

Wagner Is Better.

But when it comes to playing the field, running bases and usefulness, Wagner is far superior to Lajoie.

The Frenchman is a great enough second baseman, but he is not in it with Wagner when it comes to running bases, and outside of playing second base Wagner is much better in any position than Lajoie.

This statement may sound a bit peculiar to those who have made an idol of Lajoie, but it is true.

Hans Wagner is undoubtedly one of the greatest players the game has ever known. He is a great batsman, an incomparable infielder or outfielder, and one of the best base runners the game has ever known and he has a good whip.

Lajoie's great natural grace is what makes him such a favorite. There is a touch of the artistic in everything that the Frenchman attempts. With Lajoie every move is a living picture. He is one of the Graces personified.

Wagner is an entirely different sort. The big Dutchman is a lumbering awkward runner, batter and fielder, but he gets results, and that is what is wanted of a ball player the same as of a man in any other calling.

TERRY M'GOVERN WOULD PLAY BALL

Fast Young Pugilist Is Not a Green Hand at the Game.

Terry McGovern wants to be a professional baseball player, and has asked Manager Donovan of the Brooklyns for a trial. McGovern as an amateur ball tosser made something of a reputation on local fields before he became a pugilist. Now that he is no longer a topnotcher in the ring, he is ready to turn back to the diamond.

McGovern is only 26 years old, and as he believes he can play ball for at least ten years if he takes care of himself, he is working like a beaver to catch on. McGovern can play good ball at that. He is as lively as a cricket, can eat up hot grounders like a major leaguer and can throw like a shot. He is a fast runner, possesses a quick eye, and has shown some batting ability against the Brooklyn pitchers.

Donovan says Terry has the natural baseball ability which simply needs to be cultivated.

Alderman Here.

Mr. and Mrs. S. H. Twyman of of Mrs. J. F. Gray, a sister. Mr. Twyman is the advertising manager of the Illinois State Journal and is as well the only republican alderman in the city of Springfield to whom there was any decided opposition who was elected.

TWENTY-FIVE AT MASS MEETING

Call Does Not Call Forth Much Response From People.

APPOINT COMMITTEE

And Members Issue An Appeal For $5,000.

AN APPEAL.

The executive committee appointed to raise funds for the San Francisco sufferers makes a strong appeal to the people for contributions, large or small. The banks and newspaper offices are named as depositories and citizens are asked to meet with the committee Monday night at 7:30 o'clock.

Another mass meeting of the citizens of Decatur for the purpose of raising funds for the relief of the San Francisco sufferers was held Sunday afternoon in the Christian Temple.

There were only twenty-five people present. This is the second meeting that has been held for this purpose within a week. The attendance at the meeting Friday evening in the court room was no larger than at the meeting Sunday.

The mass meeting was called to order by Mayor Lehman. Dr. W. H. Penhallegon was called on for a few remarks and responded by complimenting the city of Decatur on the size of the meeting and said that if the people will not come out and attend the mass meetings for the relief of the stricken city, it will become the duty of those who do attend to go after them and secure their money, anyhow.

No other talks were made and the meeting lasted for only a half hour.

Appoint Committee.

A motion was made by Dr. Penhallegon that the mayor appoint a committee to arrange methods of raising money. The motion carried and the following were named as members of the committee: Rev. W. H. Penhallegon, President A. R. Taylor, Mayor Lehman, M. L. Deck, D. C. Corley, Rev. S. H. Bowyer, and T. W. Galloway. The meeting then adjourned and the executive committee held a meeting.

It was decided that Decatur should raise a sum of not less than $5,000. The executive committee will proceed at once to appoint sub-committees who will have charge of the active canvassing. Another meeting will be held tonight in the rooms of the Chamber of Commerce which representatives of all secret societies and other organizations in the city are invited to attend and consult with the committee on the most expedient plan of raising money.

An Appeal.

The executive committee authorizes the following statement and appeal:

Large donations have been made by philanthropic people to meet the immediate needs of the stricken city of San Francisco. This insures that the immediate suffering will be relieved. Let us not forget, however, that thousands of these people in addition to their present urgent needs, have lost all they have on earth. They have no homes of their own and none to rent; they have no store of food and none of clothing. For months they will be handicapped in their effort to get back to their normal economic activity.

While we cannot put them where they were before the disaster, we of the other states and cities can without distress to ourselves help bring them to the position of self-support. We therefore appeal to every sympathetic citizen of Decatur to join personally in this work. Let no offering be withheld because it may not be large. Deposit the offering at either of the newspapers or at any of the banks. Possibly other places for receiving offerings will be appointed later. A few cents from each citizen of the city would easily insure the $5,000 which we should raise. Our people have shown themselves philanthropic to the point of generosity before. Let us not fail now to do our duty for humanity's sake.

In addition to personal offerings, it is urged that all clubs and other social organizations, all fraternal societies, lodges, and the like; all federations, unions of labor and commercial bodies; all schools, all philanthropic organizations make appropriations from their treasuries, to increase the amount to what it should be.

An official representative of every such organization is invited to meet with this executive committee to plan such steps as may seem best to get a full and representative contribution from Decatur. This meeting will occur at the rooms of the Chamber of Commerce in the Review building at 7:30 p. m. Monday, April 23.

W. H. PENHALLEGON, Ch'm.
T. W. GALLOWAY, Sec.

STRIKING MINERS ENTER THE ARMY

Uncle Sam Getting Some Likely Soldiers in Indiana Field.

Terre Haute, Ind., April 12.—According to Sergeant Smith of the local recruiting station, the miners who are applying for enlistment in the United States army are the most promising army material he has received for some time.

They, as a rule, are "husky" fellows, healthy, and readily pass all physical examinations. Just now there is a rush on for enlistments and the Sergeant is kept pretty busy the greater part of the time.

RELIEF TRAIN MOVING FAST

Speeding from Different Cities to the Aid of Stricken.

Omaha, April 22.—General Manager Mohler of the Union Pacific tonight said that 73 cars of provisions were shipped by that road today to San Francisco from Omaha, Cheyenne, Laramie, Hastings, Neb., points in Kansas, Minneapolis, Norfolk, Neb., Pumphrey, Neb., Jeffersonville, Ind., and many eastern points.

OFFER ST. LOUIS $5,000 A YEAR

McKinley Syndicate Wants to Get Cars Into That City.

ARE TO FERRY RIVER

And Later May Use a Bridge For the Interurban Cars.

The following regarding the effort of the McKinley line to get into St. Louis was printed in the Post-Dispatch:

St. Louis is offered $5,000 a year for the use of several miles of streets mostly in the north end, over which the McKinley system of Illinois electric lines seek frachises.

An ordinance providing for trackage to constitute the system's terminals in St. Louis was introduced in the city council by Councilman Hitchcock Friday afternoon. The offer of an annual payment of $5,000 for the privileges and grants sought is supplemented by a proposal to furnish a bond of $25,000 to guarantee observance of the conditions of the franchises. These are to embody practically the same provisions as to fares and hours of operation as are contained in the ordinances governing the United Railways Co.

The local corporation is known as the St. Louis Terminal Railway Co. The directors are Charles Zilly, B. H. Bramble, J. W. Ferris and George C. Mattie of Champaign; and George L. Edwards, J. Herndon Smith and C. H. Moore of St. Louis. The company has already acquired land for extensive terminals in north St. Louis including a tract of 24 acres, purchased at a cost of $500,000 from Peter E. Wilson.

On this land the company proposes to establish storage and terminal yards, express warehouses and eventually a passenger depot. Two or more passenger stations will be built in the central part of the city if the franchise is obtained.

Will Ferry Cars Across.

At present the company is using the Columbia Transfer Co.'s warehouse at Ninth street and Clark avenue, and that of the Collins street Warehouse and Forwarding Co., at 240 Biddle street. A transfer ferry of special design will be operated between St. Louis and Venice to convey passenger and express cars over the river.

Later the line may cross on the Municipal Free Bridge or structures built by private enterprise. Limited passenger trains will be operated between St. Louis and all points touched by the McKinley system in Illinois.

The terminals in St. Louis are to be operated in connection with the lines of the Illinois Central Traction Co., the St. Louis and Springfield, St. Louis and Northeastern and Danville, Edwardsville and Terminal companies. These lines give communication with towns in Illinois as far distant as Peoria, Bloomington, Clinton and Decatur.

The franchise is asked for 50 years. Work of construction is to begin within six months after the bill becomes an ordinance, and the operation of cars will follow within two years. The route of the proposed line, which is to be single track, is this:

Salisbury street, from the wharf to Ninth street; Ninth from Salisbury to Branch; Branch from Ninth to Twelfth; Eleventh street, from Branch to Palm street; on Palm street, from Eleventh street to Twelfth street; on Twelfth street, from Branch street to Lucas avenue; on Linden street, from Twelfth street to Thirteenth street; on Thirteenth street from Linden street to Gay street; on Gay street from Thirteenth street to Twelfth street; on Morgan street from Twelfth street to Eleventh street; on Eleventh street from Morgan to Walnut street, on Walnut street from Eleventh to Eighth street; on Eighth street from Walnut street to Clark avenue; on Clark avenut, from Eighth street to the wharf; on the wharf, from Valentine street to Lucas avenue, and on Lucas avenue, from the wharf to Broadway.

ALWAYS BE KIND TO THE UMPIRE

He Is Only Human and Therefore Subject to Mistakes.

Now that the base ball season has started, it should be time to call the attention of the fans throughout the land to the fact that the umpire is nothing but a human being and just as liable to make mistakes as the fellow who sits in the bleachers and roasts him for being a robber and a porchclimber. For this reason it should never be necessary to defend an umpire for his wrong decisions or to censure him too severely when he makes this kind. Umpires are always reformed or broken-down ballplayers and why they should be considered as gods or men who should not make blunders it is hard to understand.

SAW CHINESE IN CONFUSION

Fort Dodge Man Tells of Flight of the Celestials.

Salt Lake City, Utah, April 22.—Among those arriving from San Francisco is Charles C. Lanferweiler of Fort Dodge, Ia., who was at the Grand Hotel. He said:

"I passed through Chinatown just as the big shock came and all Chinatown was in the streets gesticulating, crying, running around and acting like a lot of monkeys. If left to themselves, I know they must all have perished. The authorities drove them up the hill and out of range of the fire. Superstition mastered them and all sorts of Gods were produced from all sorts of pockets and Joss paper was scattered all along the way."

PARKS HOME OF RICH AND POOR

Class Distinction Wiped Out by Disaster; All Share Privation.

PINCH OF HUNGER IS FELT

Lack of Sanitation in Packed Open Spaces Adds Fear of Disease.

San Francisco, Cal., April 21.—Next to viewing the many square miles of ruins that once made San Francisco a city no better realization of the devastation can be gained than by visiting the refugee camps located in the districts which were untouched by the flames.

Golden Gate Park was the mecca of the destitute. This immense playground of the municipality has been converted into a vast mushroom city factory girl in the preparation of homefleeting towns located on the border of a government reservation about to be opened to public settlement.

The common destitution and suffering have wiped out all social, financial and racial distinctions. The men who last Tuesday was a prosperous merchant is occupying with his family a little plot of ground that adjoins the open air home of a laborer. The white man of California has forgotten his antipathy to the Asiatic race and is maintaining friendly relations with his new Chinese and Japanese neighbors.

Money Loses Much of Its Value.

The society belle who Tuesday night was a butterfly of fashion at the grand opera performance, was assisting the factory girl in the preparation of humble daily meals. Money this afternoon had little value. The family who had foresight to lay in the largest stock of foodstuffs on the first day of the disaster is rated highest in the scale of wealth.

A few of the families who could secure willing expression are possessors of cooking stoves, but over 95 per cent of the refugees are doing their cooking on little camp fires made of brick or stone. Kitchen utensils that last week would have been regarded with contempt are today articles of high value.

Many of the homeless people are in possession of comfortable clothing and bed covering, but the great bulk of them are in need. The grass is their bed and their daily clothing their only protection against the penetrating fog of the ocean or the chilling dew of the morning. Fresh meat disappeared Wednesday morning and canned foods and breadstuffs are the only victuals in evidence.

Society Girl's Bed a Grave.

Not alone are the parks the places of refuge. Every large vacant lot in the safe zones has been pre-empted, and even the cemeteries are crowded.

A well known young woman of social position, when asked today where she had spent the night, replied: "On a grave."

Throughout the entire western portion of the peninsular county of San Francisco the camps are located. The municipal safety committee has had plans for concentrating the homeless people in several great camps, but unless they are forcibly herded together like cattle this scheme seems impossible of accomplishment.

Major McKeever of the United States army has been appointed commandant of the camps, and with his staff of assistants was today trying to bring some sort of system and order out of the chaotic condition.

Peril of Epidemic Arises.

His first throught is to supply food and water and then arrange sanitary measures. These throngs of people crowded elbow to elbow in the open lots and fields without conveniences that are naturally demanded are threatened with an epidemic of disease unless some wise precautions are speed unless some wise precautions are speedily adopted. The authorities, even as early as yesterday, had been constructing necessary buildings.

Good order and fellowship seems to prevail in these impromptu settlements and the common ruin and poverty has made all of the unfortunates kin.

In buildings close to the camps the police are storing available foodstuffs and bedclothing for convenient delivery. That there will be a just and equal distribution of supplies is evident from the temper of the city administration. No distinctions are drawn and few favors shown.

The grave question is: How soon will an adequate supply of food arrive from outside points, avert famine and destitution? There is little food in San Francisco outside of what little each person possesses, and this cannot last more than a few days.

City Far From Relief Points.

San Francisco is, geographically, an isolated city. Its nearest large neighbor on the south is Los Angeles, 500 miles away. To the north is Portland, nearly 800 miles distant, and its nearest sister in the great east is Salt Lake City 1,000 miles away. These cities and all of the less populated nearer towns are making sacrifices for the destitute here, but it is to the big cities of the nation that San Francisco looks with anxious eyes for relief in its time of need.

Free Transportation for Destitute.

Owing to the short supplies of provisions in the city, General Manager Edward E. Calvin of the Southern Pacific railroad has arranged to take all the destitute people possible on the ferries to Oakland and send them out on local trains to points in California without charge. He also is sending steamers to take off the people on the wharves between the ferry building and Fort Mason and carry them to Oakland without payment of fare. The work of handling the refugees is being done in good shape.

The steamer Newark made a trip along the water front this morning and gathered up 2,000 people, and, after landing them at Oakland, returned for another load. The Southern Pacific steamer Modock was used as a hospital last night and today was also put in service gathering up the unfortunates who sought refuge on the water front.

The Southern Pacific is running its through trains and suburban trains on schedule time and in all cases where passengers are unable to pay fare they are transported free.

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RUPTURED A BLOOD VESSEL

Benjamin Finnical, Vandalia Lineman, Dies Suddenly.

CAME HOME TO REST

Before Starting Out on Walk With His Wife.

Benjamin Finnical, a Vandalia lineman, residing in the Bohon block on East Eldorado street, died suddenly yesterday afternoon about 4 o'clock from hemorrhage of the lungs, caused from rupture of a large blood vessel.

Mr. Finnical was at work yesterday morning and returned home about 3 o'clock in the afternoon, intending to go out later for a walk with his wife. He had suffered a slight hemorrhage in the morning but thought little of it at the time. Soon after reaching home, however, he was seized with another and much more violent attack.

Mrs. Finnical was in the room with him at the time and was horrified to see blood streaming from his nose and mouth. She ran screaming from the room and called for help.

Mrs. Abbott Fainted.

Mrs. N. E. Abbott, who lives in the same building, was the first to hear her and she went at once to the Finnical room while the terrified wife went on out of the building to get help. Mrs. Abbott ran back to the rooms occupied by Mrs. Minnie Adams and they got a wet towel and started once more for the room, but Mrs. Abbott fainted in the doorway and Mrs. Adams stopped to give all her attention to Mrs. Abbott.

Mr. Bohon and Rev. Irwin of Mewequa arrived shortly afterward and they were followed by Dr. William Yockey, but the man was dead before any assistance could be rendered.

Coroner's Inquest.

Coroner T. C. Buxton held an inquest over the remains at Dawson's undertaking rooms at 5:30. Dr. Yockey, Mrs. Abbott, Mrs. Adams, John F. Ferriss and John B. Harris were the witnesses who testified. The verdict was that Mr. Finnical came to his death from hemorrhage of the lungs. The jury was composed of Harry M. Wheeler, H. H. Hanks, Emerson Sanders, William Adkesson, Jerry McNamara and Ben E. Frum.

Mr. and Mrs. Finnical have lived in Decatur for about ten years. They had no children except an adopted daughter 7 or 8 years old.

Mr. Finnical took treatment about a year ago for Bright's disease, but had not been doctoring of late, and it is thought this had something to do with bringing on the hemorrhage. Some time ago he had one of his shoulders dislocated and has been suffering considerable from that and this also might have had some bearing in the matter.

Mr. Finnical was a man of temperate habits and had a jolly, good natured way about him that always won friends wherever he worked. During the past few weeks his men have noticed that he seemed to be losing in strength, often finding it necessary to sit down and rest after working a few hours. Yesterday morning he had a slight hemorrhage while at work and was quite weak when he returned home. The slight hemorrhage, however, induced the more violent attack and resulted in his death.

The funeral arrangements will be announced later.

AMERICA IN ARABIA

Consul Masterson Reports the Use of Vehicles There.

Consul Masterson, of Aden, gives the import statistics of vehicles at that Arabian city during 1905, as follows:

There were imported into Aden last year $11,900 worth of carriages, carts, and parts thereof. The United States shipped three-fourths of these vehicles, India supplied $1,580. The reason why American hickory vehicles are most extensively purchased is because they are the only ones that will stand the hot, dry climate for any length of time. All the 150 public carriages used in Aden came from the United States, and are of light construction in order to pull four passengers with one horse. American victorias are popular. Some American carts are also used. American-made harness is also largely in use, as other foreign makes are too cumbersome and expensive.

The "Mentioned" Man.

You know the kind of man I mean,
you've seen him by the score;
He hangs suspended, as it were, between the sea and shore.
For when they're looking for a chap
some office high to grace,
Our worthy friend on every hand is
"mentioned" for the place.

I would not like to have the crowd with
words around me come,
The while some chap with real friends
went out and got the plum.
If I'm first, let me last throughout this
earthly race;
At any rate, pray let me not be "mentioned for the place.
—Louisville Courier-Journal.

IT WAS 'AM.

Captain William Ellinger, the noted oyster grower of Chesapeake Bay, said recently: "Once I dined with an English farmer. We had ham for dinner, a very delicious ham, baked. The farmer's son soon finished his portion and passed his plate again.

"'More 'am, father,' he said.

"The farmer frowned.

"'Don't say 'am, my son,' he said, 'say 'am.'

"'I did say 'am,' the lad protested in an injured tone.

"'You said 'am,' cried the father fiercely. "Am's what it should be. 'Am's not 'am.'

"In the midst of the squabble the farmer's wife turned to me with a little deprecatory laugh, and said:

"'They both think they're saying 'am.'"

PLURALITY ISSUE IS A PUZZLER

Question Arises as to How to Limit The Power of Voters.

THERE IS A DIVISION

Between the City and the Country Members.

Regarding the primary law John J. Lane in a letter in the Inter-Ocean writes as follows:

Whether there can be placed in the proposed primary election law, without endangering its constitutionality, a provision requiring candidates for public office voted for at primaries to receive not less than some fixed percentage of the popular vote in order to be nominated is one of the questions mostly troubling the members of the General Assembly when they left Springfield Friday.

A majority of the republicans in both branches of the legislature have agreed informally, that the proposed plurality nomination feature in the tentative bill shall be limited by some minimum percentage. In the Senate the agreed basis is 35 per cent. In the House republican conference a percentage basis was agreed to, but the exact figure was not.

Quote Supreme Court.

The point as to the constitutionality of such a limitation was raised by a number of the members. The decision of the Supreme court annulling the law passed at the regular session is being quoted both for and against the proposition that a percentage would be unconstitutional. On the one hand it is pointed out that the court declared that a primary election is in effect the same as an election, and those who quote this passage from the decision hold that a primary election may not be restricted in any way not provided in the constitution for restricting a regular election. On the other hand, those who hold that a percentage restriction may be placed in the new act point to the paragraph in the court's decision where it is said that the legislature has power to determine what proportion of the vote shall be required for nomination of candidates by direct votes.

Court on Primary Law.

In discussing the general question of primary elections the court said:

The right to choose candidates for public office whose names will be placed on the official ballot is as valuable as the right to vote for them after they are chosen and is of precisely the same nature. There is scarcely a possibltiy that any person can or will be elected to office under this system unless he shall be chosen at a primary election and this statute, which provides the methods by which that shall be done and prescribes and limits the rights of voters and of parties must be regarded as an integral part of the process of choosing public officers and as an election.

Referring to the sections of the defunct law relating tot he nomination of candidates for the legislature the decision says:

It is not within the power of the legislature to add to the qualifications fixed by the constitution or to impose additional restrictions.

Constitutional for Plurality.

As the constitution prescribes that candidates for office shall be elected by plurality vote, these passages of the recent decision are used by those who are opposed to the proposed 35 per cent requirement or who favor a strict plurality nomination plan.

But there is in the decision also a declaration that seems right in line with the question now bothering the legislators, and it appears to point to the opinion that the General Assembly has the right to prescribe whether a plurality or majority vote shall be required for nomination in the primaries. In discussing the provisions of the defunct law which gave the political county committees the power to say whether a plurality or a majority vote should be required for nomination the court holds it was an improper delegation of legislative power to the committees, and the court goes on to say:

It is manifest that if there is anything in this law which is legislative in its nature and proper subject for the exercise of legislative power it is the question whether a majority or plurality shall be necessary to an election. A law which would provide for an election to public office and make no provision in that respect, except where the constitution has already made provision, would be incomplete as a law. The constitution provides for the election of various officers, and that a plurality shall elect, but where the constitution does not apply, it is a legislative question, and it would be a delegation of legislative power to provide that any other authority should decide that question.

Discussion to Be Thorough.

These points will be thoroughly discussed by the legislators before the matter of majority, plurality or percentage basis shall be finally determined.

While there is a sort of tentative agreement among the majority of the republicans in each house as to the main points of the bills that are expected to be offered when the Legislature meets again on Tuesday, this does not mean necessarily that the agreement is such as to enable either house to pass a bill without long discussian and probably with many changes from the measures that will be drawn by the committees in each house.

Country Wants Plurality.

Many country members of the house prefer a straight plurality nomination plan of the selection of county candidates. The Cook county men and a few from the country object to this, and want either a majority or a 35 per cent basis. The Cook county leaders are determined that if they must accept a plurality plan for Cook county they will insist on a plurality nomination of candidates for state officers.

The country members object to this plan because they fear that under it Cook county, by uniting in support of certain candidates, would be able to nominate all the state officers.

In like manner the members from counties in which they are large towns dislike the plurality custom, because by it the towns could dominate the rest of the county and nominate all candidates for county officers.

Double Ballot Favored.

In both houses it has been agreed by the republican conference that the names of candidates for delegates to the various conventions shall not be printed on the official primary ballots with the names of candidates for office, but shall be printed on separate ballots, to be supplied by the party organizations. The radical reformers do not approve this plan, because, they say, it will enable the politicians to have delegate ballots "peddled" at the primary polls, and the politicians will be able to know just who voted the ballots of the rival factions in primaries where there may be factional fights.

City Primaries Left Out.

The bills now being prepared apply only to county, senatorial, congressional and state officers. No provisions for city primaries are made in these bills. A city primary election bill is expected later. The sub-committee of the senate conferred with Attorney W. W. Wheelock and Chief Clerk I. N. Powell of the election board as to a city bill, but were told that it would be impossible to draw a city bill until the main provisions of the state bill that would pass were known.

It seems to be the general belief that whatever city bill may be introduced will not be operative until adopted by the people in the various cities of the state. By such a plan Chicago and any other cities that might so desire would be left operating under whatever might be left of the present law. It is held that the method of nominating judges of the municipal court, members of the boards of assessors and review, and trustees of the sanitary district might be left to the Chicago charter convention, because these offices are peculiar to Chicago and exist in no other city in the state. It is probable that Attorney General Stead will be asked for an opinion as to these and other points before a bill is finally agreed on by the legislators.

Socialists Hold Primaries.

Socialist primaries to select delegates to judicial and county conventions were held in Chicago and Cook county yesterday. There were no special contests at the Socialist primaries. In two districts—the Second and the Fifth ward and the Fourth of the Sixth ward—the Socialists failed to provide judges and clerks of the primary and the poll books were not taken from the election commissioners' office.

The Socialist convention will meet Tuesday night in Brand's hall.

It is understood that the candidates for Supreme court judge and Circuit court judge will be selected from a list agreed on by the party leaders as a conference recently held. The list includes the names of Seymour Stedman, C. L. Breckon, Peter Simpson, M. H. Taft and M. Kaplan.

BERT GHER COMING HOME

Will Reach St. Louis Tuesday Evening Where Father Meets Him.

HAS BEEN IN DENVER

In the Hopes of Bettering Condition of Health.

Bert Gher who has been in Denver for his health will be home soon. His parents Mr. and Mrs. S. R. Gher received a telegram last night stating that Mr. Gher would leave Denver in time to reach St. Louis at 7 a. m. Tuesday. S. R. Gher will go to St. Louis to meet his son and accompany him to Decatur.

In a letter received several days ago Mr. Gher wrote in a cheerful manner and as there was nothing in the message to indicate that he was any worse it is thought that he is getting along all right. The telegram was sent by Rev. Frost Craft, formerly of Decatur.

ISSUE PAPERS AT OAKLAND

Big Plants Will Soon Be in Operation as Before Fire.

Oakland, Cal., April 22.—The San Francisco daily newspapers, all of which were burned out, are gradually getting in shape to serve their subscribers. On Thursday morning, the day after the fire, the best showing the morning journals could make was a small combination sheet bearing the unique heading, "Call-Chronicle-Examiner." It was set up and printed in the office of the Oakland Tribune, and gave a brief account of the great disaster and took an optimistic view of the future of the stricken city. Yesterday and today the papers, though still printed in Oakland, have appeared under their own headings and with a few illustrations, showing scenes in the streets of San Francisco. It is expected that within a short time they will be able to replace their plants and present their former appearance.

Many Visitors.

There were about thirty visitors at the jail yesterday. Many of them were mothers of the young boys who are locked up for burglary.

C. P. CHURCH.

The ladies' missionary society of the C. P. church will hold a meeting at the church Thursday afternoon at 3 o'clock. The meeting will be the occasion of the annual "mite" offering. A full attendance is desired.

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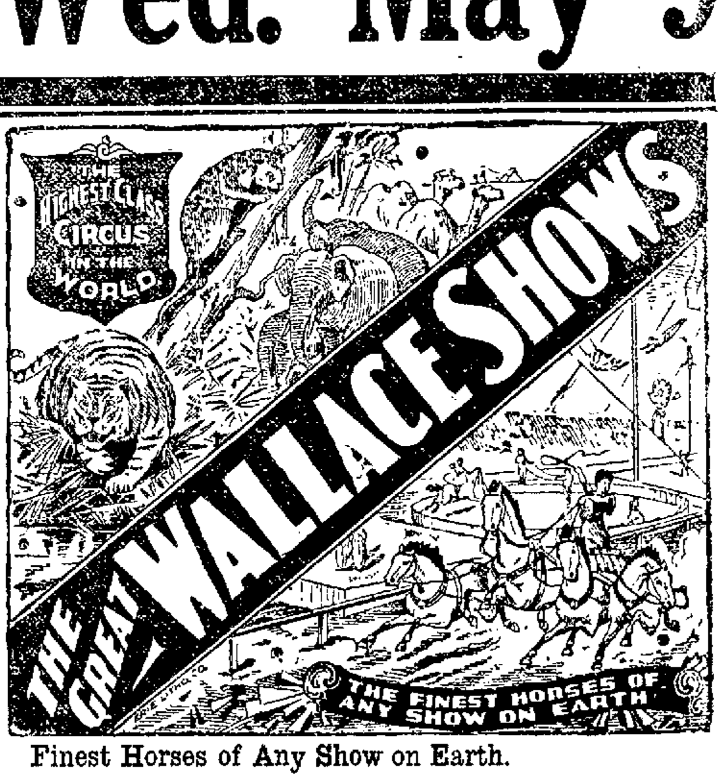
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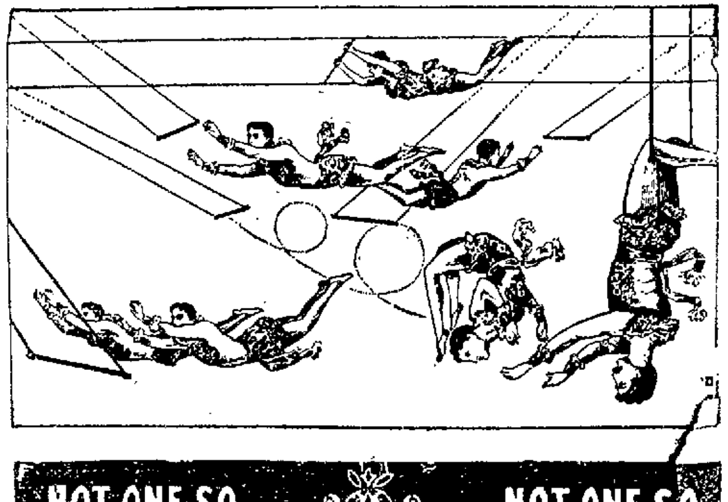

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